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By: Representatives Anthony, Rosebud, Hughes To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE

2 SUNFLOWER COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE ASSOCIATION UPON THE 3 MOMENTOUS OCCASION OF ITS TWENTIETH YEAR OF SERVICE. 4 WHEREAS, twenty years ago on November 1, 1999, the Sunflower County Emergency Medical Response program was organized and 5 implemented, and since that time, volunteer emergency medical responders have touched thousands of lives, and received 7 recognition for their selfless service and commitment to 8 9 excellence in providing prehospital emergency medical care; and WHEREAS, the Sunflower County Emergency Medical Response 10 11 Association began with a small group of volunteers who organized Rescue Company 2, based in Inverness, Mississippi, and has since 12 13 grown to over two dozen volunteers providing prehospital medical 14 and trauma care to the ill and injured of Sunflower County, hazardous materials operational response, and specialized medical 15 16 support to high-risk law enforcement missions; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers of the Sunflower County Emergency

Medical Response Association provide their services, free of

- 19 charge and at little cost to the citizens of Sunflower County, in
- 20 the Indianola, Inverness, Moorhead, Sunflower, Ruleville, Drew,
- 21 and Linn-Steiner-Roundaway areas of the county; and
- 22 WHEREAS, the organizational structure and the practices of
- 23 the Sunflower County Emergency Medical Response Association have
- 24 attracted acclaim and have been used as a foundational basis for
- 25 the establishment of similar programs in other counties in
- 26 Mississippi; and
- 27 WHEREAS, the volunteers of the Sunflower County Emergency
- 28 Medical Response Association answer hundreds of calls for
- 29 emergency assistance annually, and freely provide medical support
- 30 to community events, including the annual B.B. King Homecoming
- 31 Festival, as well as the two-day funeral services for Mr. King in
- 32 2015; and
- 33 WHEREAS, volunteers of the Sunflower County Emergency Medical
- 34 Response Association were instrumental in locating and recovering
- 35 a majority of the fallen Marines and Navy Corpsmen lost in the
- 36 crash of Marine flight YANKY-72 on July 10, 2017, and were
- 37 subsequently individually recognized for their efforts with
- 38 Certificates of Appreciation from the United States Marine Corps,
- 39 and again with Distinguished Service Awards from the Marine Corps
- 40 League Department of Mississippi for excellence in their
- 41 services to the Gold Star Families of YANKY-72 during the
- 42 dedication of the YANKY-72 Memorial in July 2018; and

43	WHEREAS, these volunteers continually strive to maintain and
44	improve their skill and quality of service through specialized
45	training, recurrent training, and cooperation with private
46	emergency medical service agencies, various aero-medical
47	providers, and other public service agencies in Sunflower County;
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49	WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
50	and commend fine institutions in Mississippi, especially those
51	such as the Sunflower County Emergency Medical Response
52	Association, an organization comprised of heroic volunteers whose
53	outstanding service to their community, dauntless fortitude and
54	unwavering duty to serve the ill, downtrodden, and those who cry
55	out in pain in Sunflower County are truly appreciated:
56	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
57	REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE
58	CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and
59	congratulate the Sunflower County Emergency Medical
60	Response Association and its members, both past and present, upon
61	the occasion of its twentieth anniversary and extend most sincere
62	wishes for continued success and safety in all of their future
63	endeavors.
64	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
65	furnished to the Sunflower County Emergency Medical Response

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Association and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.