MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Eubanks

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 45

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING LIEUTENANT COLONEL 2 ALLEN B. WEST FOR HIS OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND EXCEPTIONAL 3 SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

4 WHEREAS, as the third of four generations of military servicemen in his family, the distinguished Lieutenant Colonel 5 Allen B. West has valiantly served in the United States Army for 6 7 over 22 years, and because of his incredible selflessness and noble disposition he has amassed numerous honorable accolades; and 8 9 WHEREAS, with his admirable military prowess, Lieutenant Colonel West served in several combat zones and received many 10 11 honors during his exceptional career in the United States Army, including a Bronze Star; three Meritorious Service Medals; three 12 Army Commendation Medals, one with Valor device; and a Valorous 13 14 Unit Award, and in 1993, he was named the United States Army ROTC Instructor of the Year; and 15

16 WHEREAS, dedicated to excellence, Lieutenant Colonel West 17 received a bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee as 18 well as two master's degrees, one from Kansas State University and

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21 WHEREAS, as a man of outstanding character and incredible 22 stature, Lieutenant Colonel West was elected to the United States 23 Congress in November 2010, representing Florida's 22nd District, 24 and was a member of the Small Business and Armed Services 25 Committee and was instrumental in passing the 2011 and 2012 26 National Defense Authorizations Acts; and

27 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel West is a Fox News contributor, 28 Director of the Booker T. Washington Initiative at the Texas 29 Public Policy Foundation, Senior Fellow at the Media Research 30 Center, contributing columnist for Townhall.com, former Executive 31 Director of the National Center for Policy Analysis in Dallas, 32 Texas, and author of Guardian of the Republic: An American Ronin's 33 Journey to Family, Faith and Freedom and Hold Texas, Hold the 34 Nation: Victory or Death and he also hosts a podcast called the 35 Old School Patriot; and

36 WHEREAS, as a legacy life member of the Veterans of Foreign 37 Wars, Lieutenant Colonel West is also a life member of the 38 American Legion, the Association of the United States Army and the 39 Society of the First Infantry Division, a Patriot Life Member 40 (Benefactor), a member of the Board of Directors of the National 41 Rifle Association, an inductee into the University of Tennessee 42 Army ROTC Hall of Fame, a member of the Board of Advisors of Amegy

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Bank, Dallas Region, and he was appointed by Lieutenant GovernorDan Patrick to the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission; and

45 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel West is married to Dr. Angela 46 Graham-West, and they have two daughters, Aubrey and Austen, and 47 in his spare time he is an avid distance runner, Master SCUBA 48 diver, motorcyclist and enjoys cheering for his beloved Tennessee 49 Volunteers; and

50 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel West believes it will be 51 principled constitutional conservative policies, not politics, 52 which secures a sound economic future for Americans, with growth, 53 opportunity and returning the promise of the American dream for 54 this generation and those to come; and

55 WHEREAS, with his outstanding disposition, Lieutenant Colonel 56 West certainly exemplifies the phenomenal qualities of 57 perseverance, courage, tremendous devotion to his family as well 58 as unparalleled allegiance to this great nation, inspiring all of 59 those around him to strive for excellence each day; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to recognize and salute heroic, patriotic people, especially those such as Lieutenant Colonel Allen B. West, for his remarkable dedication and incomparable service to the United States of America:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
recognize and commend the valor and selflessness of Lieutenant

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to Lieutenant Colonel Allen B. West and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

H. R. No. 45 19/HR31/R2107 PAGE 4 (MCL\JAB) The function of the states congress. H. R. No. 45 ST: Lt. Colonel Allen B. West; commend for outstanding service in the U.S. Army and the United States Congress.