

By: Representatives Cockerham, Young, Hines, To: Rules
Clarke, Rosebud, Dixon, Karriem, Sykes,
Harness, Faulkner, Paden, Johnson (94th),
Williams-Barnes, Anderson, Anthony, Bailey,
Banks, Bell (65th), Blackmon, Burnett,
Calhoun, Clark, Denton, Dortch, Gibbs (72nd), Gibbs (36th), Holloway,
Hudson, Jackson, Mickens, Scott, Straughter, Taylor, Walker, Watson,
Osborne, Crudup

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 116

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE VALOR AND
2 SELFLESSNESS OF RETIRED LIEUTENANT COLONEL CARL HOLDEN UPON HIS
3 INDUCTION INTO THE JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY ARMY ROTC HALL OF
4 FAME.

5 WHEREAS, the Jackson State University Army ROTC Hall of Fame
6 inductees are an esteemed group of remarkable individuals who have
7 distinguished themselves over their lifetime by making an impact
8 on society through their respective professions, community
9 involvement, philanthropic endeavors and support for Jackson State
10 University, and retired Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Carl Holden
11 certainly fits that mold; and

12 WHEREAS, 2019 inductee LTC Holden is a retired commissioned
13 officer of the United States Army with more than 20 years of
14 active military service, and he has served in a variety of
15 command, leadership and managerial positions as an United States
16 Army officer, including two combat tours during Operation Desert
17 Storm as a part of the Liberation of Kuwait; and

18 WHEREAS, he served as primary advisor on nuclear
19 proliferation to various secretaries of the United States



20 government and to the President of the United States; and during
21 his career, LTC Holden spent the majority of his time at the unit
22 level in positions of command; and

23 WHEREAS, LTC Holden currently serves as the Treasurer of the
24 Jackson State University Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC)
25 Alumni Program fund, a role for which he is responsible for
26 accountability and management of donations from former graduates
27 and provides funds for special activities for the ROTC program
28 such as receptions, ROTC Cadet dining in and Spring Gala, Top Male
29 and Female Awards, scholarships, the JSU ROTC Picnic and numerous
30 other activities; and

31 WHEREAS, LTC Holden has served as the Chief Executive Officer
32 of South Rankin County Farmers Association (SRCFA) since its
33 inception, which is a nonprofit organization designed to help
34 disadvantaged farmers in the operation and management of their
35 farms and to assist them in applying for loans and grants which
36 are designed to bring them into the 21st century; and

37 WHEREAS, the SRCFA has well over 30 members in its
38 cooperative and to date, SRCFA has purchased and paid for 25 acres
39 of farmland, have over 20 head of cattle which are used to support
40 its operations, and SRCFA is the only cooperative in the State of
41 Mississippi that has three men and two women who have been
42 selected as Small Farmer of the Year because of their outstanding
43 management skills and knowledge; and



44 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
45 recognize and salute heroic, patriotic Mississippians, especially
46 those such as retired Lieutenant Colonel Carl Holden, for his
47 unparalleled dedication and incomparable service to the United
48 States of America and the State of Mississippi:

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
50 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
51 recognize and commend the valor and selflessness of retired
52 Lieutenant Colonel Carl Holden upon his induction into the Jackson
53 State University Army ROTC Hall of Fame and extend sincere wishes
54 for continued success in all of his future endeavors.

55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
56 furnished to Lieutenant Colonel Carl Holden and to the members of
57 the Capitol Press Corps.

