

By: Senator(s) Jackson (11th), Simmons (12th), Jackson (32nd), Simmons (13th)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 639

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CONDOLENCES OF THE  
2 LEGISLATURE TO THE BEREAVED FAMILY OF REVEREND DR. TIMOTHY BURREL,  
3 SR., FORMER COAHOMA COUNTY SUPERVISOR, VETERAN, EDUCATOR, CHURCH  
4 LEADER, CIVIC LEADER AND DEVOTED FAMILY MENTOR.

5 WHEREAS, we join the citizens of Coahoma County in mourning  
6 the passing of Reverend Dr. Timothy Burrel, Sr., former Coahoma  
7 County Supervisor, Veteran, Educator, Church Leader, Award-Winning  
8 Civic Leader, and devoted husband and father; and

9 WHEREAS, Timothy was born on February 18, 1943, in Lyon,  
10 Mississippi, to Reverend George and Rosie Burrel, who preceded him  
11 in death. In 1963, Timothy graduated from Coahoma Junior College.  
12 Later that year, he enlisted in the United States Army until being  
13 honorably discharged on August 3, 1972. He then served in the  
14 United States Reserve for more than 30 years before retiring on  
15 November 15, 1996. His education continued with a Bachelor of  
16 Science Degree in Elementary Education at Mississippi Valley State  
17 University in 1966. Timothy received a Master's Degree in Media  
18 Science and a Specialist Degree in Administration and Supervision  
19 from The University of Mississippi in 1977. He received a



20 Doctorate in Divinity from Jacksonville Theological Seminary in  
21 May 2006; and

22 WHEREAS, during his lengthy educational career, Timothy  
23 served as a Media Specialist, Teacher, Photographer and Principal.  
24 Timothy served the community in various capacities as: a  
25 Minister, member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., (where  
26 he was a fraternity brother of Senator Robert Jackson, District  
27 11, and Representative Orlando Paden, District 26), 4th District  
28 Masonic Lodge, and a past member of Coahoma County Board of  
29 Supervisors; and

30 WHEREAS, Timothy is preceded in death by three brothers:  
31 William Burrel (Willie, deceased), George W. Burrel (Ossie,  
32 deceased) and Lewis Burrel, Sr. (Lorene). Timothy is survived by  
33 his loving wife of 50 years, Mary Clark Burrel; three children:  
34 Timothy Burrel, Jr., Terrence D. Burrel, Sr., (Melissa), and  
35 Morika M. Burrel; six sisters: Blanche Ray (Jimmy, deceased),  
36 Alsie Wilkins (John, deceased), Zola Hudson (Preston, deceased),  
37 Mildred Burris (Willie, deceased), Mary Collins (Levi) and  
38 Patricia Seals (Edward, Sr.); one brother, Leon Burrel; 11  
39 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a host of other relatives  
40 and friends; and

41 WHEREAS, we pay tribute and cherish fondly the memory of this  
42 most public-spirited citizen of Mississippi whose enormous civic  
43 energy will be missed:



44           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
45 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
46 we do hereby extend condolences of the Mississippi Legislature to  
47 the bereaved family of Reverend Dr. Timothy Burrel, Sr., former  
48 Coahoma County Supervisor, Veteran, Educator, Church Leader, Civic  
49 Leader and devoted Family Mentor.

50           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
51 the surviving family of Reverend Dr. Burrel, forwarded to the  
52 Coahoma County Board of Supervisors, and made available to the  
53 Capitol Press Corps.

