

By: Representatives Calvert, Evans (45th),
Horne, Smith

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 60

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MR. ROBERT EARL
2 HILL, SR., UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS 101ST BIRTHDAY AND EXTENDING
3 SINCERE WISHES FOR HIS HAPPINESS ON SUCH A MOMENTOUS AND JOYFUL
4 OCCASION.

5 WHEREAS, on March 14, 1920, the world was blessed with the
6 birth of Mr. Robert Earl Hill, Sr., and now over a century later,
7 upon the delightful occasion of his 101st birthday, he continues
8 to inspire those around him; and

9 WHEREAS, on March 14, 2021, family and friends celebrated the
10 World War II veteran's birthday with a drive-through parade at his
11 retirement center in Meridian, Mississippi; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Hill was born at home in Noxubee County,
13 Mississippi, in the Cooksville community, grew up in a large
14 family with six sisters and one brother, and he graduated
15 Cooksville-Paulette High School in 1939; and

16 WHEREAS, after graduating, he joined the Civilian
17 Conservation Corp, and he was stationed at Clarkco State Park
18 where he met his wife Rida whom he married in 1941; and



19 WHEREAS, shortly after getting married, Robert was drafted
20 into the United States Army to serve in World War II where he
21 spent four years on active duty in Italy and North Africa, and
22 after returning home from the war, he tried to stay busy with work
23 to help adjust back to normal life; and

24 WHEREAS, in 1955, he founded McDonald & Hill, a water and gas
25 systems company, which he said proudly has two-third generation
26 members working for it, and he retired from the company at the age
27 of 65, leaving it to be run by his sons; and

28 WHEREAS, Robert, a member of First Baptist Church in
29 Meridian, Mississippi, credits his strong Christian faith as his
30 key to living a long, healthy life; and

31 WHEREAS, Robert and his wife, who had four sons, seven
32 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, celebrated their 72nd
33 wedding anniversary in August of 2013, before the love of his life
34 sadly passed away on May 5, 2014, 10 days before turning 92; and

35 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
36 recognize and honor the lives of Mississippi's greatest
37 generation, especially those such as Mr. Robert Hill on the
38 occasion of his 101st birthday, for being a man of faith and love,
39 bringing honor to the State of Mississippi:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
41 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
42 commend and congratulate Mr. Robert Earl Hill, Sr., upon the



43 occasion of his 101st birthday and extend sincere wishes for his
44 happiness on such a momentous and joyful occasion.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
46 furnished to Mr. Robert Earl Hill, Sr., and to the members of the
47 Capitol Press Corps.

