

By: Representatives Steverson, Bain, Barton, To: Rules  
Lancaster, Massengill

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6

1 A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MR. DENNIS CRAIG  
2 GRISHAM AND EXTENDING DEEP SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS UPON  
3 HIS PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, it is written, "To everything there is a season, and  
5 a time to every purpose under the Heaven," and as such, Mr. Dennis  
6 Craig Grisham's time here on earth has ended as he has  
7 transitioned to life eternal; and

8 WHEREAS, he was born in Ripley, Mississippi, to the joy and  
9 happiness of his parents, Leland and Roberta Grisham, on November  
10 28, 1944; and

11 WHEREAS, after graduating from Ripley High School in 1962, he  
12 attended Northeast Mississippi Junior College and the University  
13 of Southern Mississippi, and thereafter was driven to serve his  
14 country and joined the Marine Corps, from which he was honorably  
15 discharged in 1969; and

16 WHEREAS, he subsequently moved to Memphis, Tennessee, where  
17 he met the love of his life, Lynda McAlister, who coincidentally



18 was from Ripley, and became an instant father of two boys, Billy  
19 and Tommy whom he raised as his own; and

20 WHEREAS, it was just the four of them until 1972, when Dennis  
21 and Lynda were blessed with a little girl named Jill; and

22 WHEREAS, in 1974, he moved his family back home to Ripley  
23 where he started a small construction company that is now known as  
24 Grisham Asphalt & Paving Company, Inc.; and

25 WHEREAS, he captured his dream job at home in Ripley in 1984  
26 when he became a supervisor for Tippah County's 4th District,  
27 where he remained by winning nine consecutive elections, during  
28 which time he served as the President of the Tippah County Board  
29 of Supervisors and President of the Mississippi Association of  
30 Supervisors; and

31 WHEREAS, Mr. Grisham was a man of strong faith, who was a  
32 true Christian and active servant at Dumas Baptist Church; and

33 WHEREAS, to cherish his legacy, he is survived by his wife,  
34 Lynda; daughter, Jill; sons, Bill and Tommy; sister, Laura;  
35 brother, Kenneth; grandchildren, Colby, Corbin, Ellie, James,  
36 Sarah, John Thomas, Nolan, Jud and Sophie; and a host of friends  
37 and loved ones; and

38 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
39 honor the lives of men like Mr. Dennis Craig Grisham, who fought  
40 for our country, built wealth for their families and worked as  
41 public servants as well as Christian servants:



42           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
43 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
44 honor the life of Mr. Dennis Craig Grisham, and express deep  
45 sympathy to his family and friends upon his passing.

46           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
47 furnished to the family of Mr. Dennis Craig Grisham and to the  
48 members of the Capitol Press Corps.

