

By: Senator(s) Norwood, Horhn, Frazier,  
Blount, Simmons (12th), Simmons (13th),  
Barnett, Butler (38th), Hopson

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 545

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF  
2 LONGTIME HINDS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE AND FORMER STATE  
3 REPRESENTATIVE TOMIE T. GREEN ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT.

4 WHEREAS, we join the citizens of Hinds County and the legal  
5 profession in recognizing the public service of Senior Hinds  
6 County Circuit Court Judge and former Mississippi State  
7 Representative Tomie T. Green of Jackson, Mississippi; and

8 WHEREAS, after 24 years on the bench and 35 years of public  
9 service, Senior Hinds Circuit Court Judge Tomie T. Green of  
10 Jackson announced that she will not seek reelection in November,  
11 and will retire in December 2022; and

12 WHEREAS, Judge Green is the longest-serving Circuit Judge,  
13 and she was the first African American and the first woman to have  
14 the leadership role of Senior Circuit Judge in the Seventh Circuit  
15 Court District. She also was the first woman elected to the bench  
16 in the Seventh Circuit; and

17 WHEREAS, Judge Green took office on January 4, 1999, and was  
18 unopposed for reelection for five terms; and



19           WHEREAS, Judge Green, 69, has worked in all three branches of  
20 government. In the executive branch, she was an Assistant  
21 District Attorney in Hinds and Yazoo Counties. In the legislative  
22 branch, she served two terms in the Mississippi House of  
23 Representatives from 1993-2000, and was particularly involved in  
24 legislation relating to child support enforcement; and

25           WHEREAS, Judge Green was born on September 29, 1952, in  
26 Learned, Mississippi. She attended Tougaloo College, Jackson  
27 State University and Mississippi College School of Law. Her  
28 affiliations include: Phi Alpha Delta; Zeta Phi Beta; 100 Black  
29 Women; NAACP; SCLC; NBSCL; NCSL; Magnolia, Mississippi, Federal,  
30 Hinds County National and American Bar Associations; Mississippi  
31 Trial Lawyers; and ATLA. Her late husband was Cornelius Green,  
32 Jr.; and

33           WHEREAS, "I've been the first in a number of positions, but  
34 my purpose has always been to be a bridge builder for those who  
35 would follow," Judge Green said in a news release from the state  
36 court system. "I pray that I have accomplished my task. I've  
37 never had any enemies to punish, nor any friends to reward.  
38 Justice has been my only obligation"; and

39           WHEREAS, Judge Green has served as a leader and mentor. She  
40 consistently lectured on professional standards of the practice,  
41 including ethics, integrity, civility, courtesy and adherence to  
42 the Golden Rule. Her service has honored the legal profession and  
43 the Great State of Mississippi:



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 recognize the public service of longtime Hinds County  
47   Circuit Court Judge and former State Representative Tomie T. Green  
48   on the occasion of her retirement, and extend to her and her  
49   family our best wishes for future success.

50           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
51   Judge Tomie T. Green, forwarded to the Seventh Circuit Court  
52   District, and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

