

By: Representative Gunn

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 17

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF A FORMER
2 ESTEEMED MEMBER OF THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
3 EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY UPON HIS PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, on January 14, 2023, the State of Mississippi, and
5 particularly the Mississippi House of Representatives, lost a
6 respected leader and former colleague with the passing of
7 Representative Billy Nicholson, who was also a beloved father,
8 grandfather and husband who loved all he met until he passed this
9 life at the age of 74; and

10 WHEREAS, he was a devoted friend, trusting colleague and
11 astute member of the Mississippi House of Representatives when he
12 served in this august body from 2000 to 2012, representing
13 District 78; and

14 WHEREAS, he was also an effective businessman who owned and
15 served as an agent of State Farm Insurance greeting everyone he
16 knew with a smile and a spirit of improving the quality of their
17 lives; and



18 WHEREAS, a man of faith and standards, he was a dutiful
19 public servant who was committed to enhancing the lives of all he
20 met and desired to be a blessing to his community; and

21 WHEREAS, to cherish his memory and carry on his legacy of
22 public service and stewardship, he leaves his beloved wife of 56
23 years, Betty, daughters, Angie and Jennifer, five grandchildren,
24 Madelyn, Bailey, Jes, Nic and Case, two brothers, Jerry and
25 Clinton; and

26 WHEREAS, it is most fitting and appropriate to honor and
27 celebrate the legacy of former members, like Billy Nicholson, who
28 continued to serve his community with pride and passion until he
29 left this earth to transition on to his heavenly reward:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
31 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
32 honor and celebrate the life and legacy of our former colleague,
33 Billy Nicholson, and express deepest sympathy to his family upon
34 his passing.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
36 furnished to the family of former House of Representatives member,
37 Billy Nicholson and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

