MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Robinson

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 178

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE DEDICATED SERVICE AND ESTEEMED 2 CAREER OF EXCEPTIONAL EXCELLENCE OF DR. WILLIAM "BILL" MYERS AS 3 THE FINE ARTS DIRECTOR FOR NORTHEAST JONES HIGH SCHOOL, AND 4 CONGRATULATING HIM UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT.

5 WHEREAS, after more than three decades of distinguished and meritorious service in education, Dr. William "Bill" Myers, has 6 7 announced his forthcoming commencement from the rigorous academy of balancing a work-life schedule, which has afforded him 8 9 admission into the prestigious and sacred institution of 10 retirement, thus leaving behind a legacy of exceptional leadership and dedication to the families of Jones County, Mississippi, Fine 11 12 Arts Director for Northeast Jones High School; and WHEREAS, a veteran educator with a penchant for music, Dr. 13 14 Myers has dedicated 19 years of his life and career leading the Northeast Jones' Fine Arts Department, and more particularly as 15 the coordinator and director of "Gold Horizons" Show Choir has 16 17 consistently perpetuated and championed the role of recognizing, perfecting and showcasing talent; and 18

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WHEREAS, Dr. Myers' presence in Jones County has proven to be 19 20 an innocuous infusion of civic, humanitarian and philanthropic effort, the benefits of which have been extended to high school 21 22 show choir participants at each high school in the Jones County 23 School District through the generosity of the Steffan D. Myers 24 Memorial Scholarship, established to honor the legacy and memory of his son, who was also a music afficionado and a member of the 25 26 University of Southern Mississippi's men's A Capella group, "The 27 Spirit of Southern," at the time of his untimely passing; and

28 WHEREAS, throughout his esteemed career and residency, Dr. 29 Myers' natural affinity for promoting enhanced enrichment 30 opportunities for youth, has translated into a litany of successes for Gold Horizons for the 2023 competition season alone, not to 31 32 mention previous years' accolades, including: South Jones 33 Invitational - 1st place, Middle Division; Pearl River Community 34 College Show Choir Competition - 1st place, Middle Division; West 35 Jones Classic Invitational - 1st place, Middle Division; Petal Invitational - 1st place, Middle Division; Oak Grove Show Choir 36 37 Competition - 2nd place, Middle Division; and Elite Invitational -38 1st place, Middle Division; and

39 WHEREAS, Dr. Myers has earned the admiration and respect of 40 his colleagues and community members throughout Jones County for 41 his commitment, tireless devotion to promoting youth 42 opportunities, professionalism, and compassionate spirit and soul 43 that continue to serve his beloved Jones County communities; and

H. R. No. 178 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 23/HR26/R2418 PAGE 2 (DJ\KW) WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to pay tribute to an outstanding public servant such as Dr. Myers, whose selfless service honors the spirit of hope and hospitality for Jones County and the State of Mississippi, which will be forever treasured in the many lives he has touched:

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF 50 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby 51 commend the dedicated service and esteemed career of exceptional excellence of Dr. William "Bill" Myers as the Fine Arts Director 52 53 for Northeast Jones High School, congratulate him upon the occasion of his retirement, and extend best wishes to him and his 54 55 family on this auspicious occasion, while conveying our hopes for 56 much success in all his future endeavors.

57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 58 furnished to Dr. William "Bill" Myers and to the members of the 59 Capitol Press Corps.