

By: Representative Roberson

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 185

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MOST HONORABLE AND DISTINGUISHED
 2 GENTLEMAN FROM CHICKASAW, REPRESENTATIVE DE'KEITHER A. STAMPS, FOR
 3 HIS ESTEEMED AND LAUDABLE LEGISLATIVE CAREER AND PUBLIC SERVICE
 4 UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF
 5 REPRESENTATIVES.

6 WHEREAS, the honorable and distinguished Gentleman from
 7 Chickasaw, Representative De'Keither A. Stamps, has announced his
 8 plans not to seek reelection to the Mississippi House of
 9 Representatives at the conclusion of the 2020-2024 term of the
 10 Legislature, as he has qualified to seek the office of Mississippi
 11 Public Service Commission, after tirelessly working on behalf of
 12 the citizens of Mississippi and House District 66, of Hinds
 13 County, marking an end to two and one-half years of legislative
 14 service in the hallowed halls of the Mississippi State Capitol;
 15 and

16 WHEREAS, before assuming his seat as the member of the House
 17 of Representatives from District 66, Representative Stamps, a
 18 graduate of Crystal Springs High School, immediately answered the
 19 call to patriotic duty to defend Lady Liberty against all domestic



20 and foreign threats to the preservation of democracy by enlisting
21 in the United States Marine Corps, where he spent three years on
22 Presidential Security for President Clinton before concluding his
23 career as a Devil Dog in 2002 after completing a three-year
24 overseas assignment for the State Department in Africa,
25 Switzerland and the United Kingdom; and

26 WHEREAS, upon his election to the House of Representatives in
27 the 2020 special election to fill the seat vacated by former
28 Representative Jarvis Dortch, De'Keither A. Stamps, who
29 re-enlisted into the Army in 2005 in furtherance of liberating
30 Iraq by spending three years with the 82nd Airborne Division on
31 back-to-back deployments, became the distinguished Gentleman from
32 Hinds upon being sworn into legislative office, and wasted no time
33 requesting the legislation, amendments and reports that would help
34 effectuate into law the ideologies and policy changes that his
35 constituents had elected him to further; and

36 WHEREAS, Representative Stamps' passion for empowerment
37 through public service laid the foundation for his advocacy
38 through public speaking, proved his incomparable work ethic and
39 commitment to improving the quality of life and opportunities for
40 success for the residents of the City of Jackson during his
41 service as a member of the Jackson City Council from 2013 through
42 2020; and

43 WHEREAS, possessing a love and deeply felt respect for
44 diplomacy, which is innately apparent in his welcoming and



45 authentically pleasant and cordial disposition, Representative
46 Stamps' careers as a member of the military, civilian and as a
47 local and state elected official have served as a beacon of hope
48 for those in pursuit of preserving and nurturing the integrity of
49 the legislative body; and

50 WHEREAS, during his tenure as a legislator, Representative
51 Stamps has served as a member of the House Committees on
52 Constitution, Investigate State Offices, Military Affairs,
53 Municipalities and Public Utilities; and

54 WHEREAS, not one to limit his community involvement to the
55 Legislature, Representative Stamps, farmer by profession, has
56 always been active in his district and dedicated to improving the
57 quality of life for all citizens, as evidenced by his service and
58 affiliation as: founder of Legacy Group Enterprises, LLC; founder
59 of Reviving Heroes; founder of De'Keither Stamps Enterprises;
60 founding member of Heroes Village of Mississippi; member of the
61 NAACP Jackson Branch, chairman of the NAACP Armed Services
62 Committee; member of VFW Post #9832; chairman of VFW Teacher of
63 the Year for the State of Mississippi; and a member of Morning
64 Star Missionary Baptist Church, where he has fulfilled service
65 capacities as junior deacon, lay reader, usher, Sunday School
66 teacher, videographer, janitor and groundskeeper; and

67 WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives will
68 cherish the bond and common goals for the betterment of this great
69 state shared with Representative Stamps and his impeccable service



70 within the Mississippi Legislature and to the constituents of
71 District 66; and

72 WHEREAS, Representative Stamps has remained a phenomenal
73 gentleman, grounded in his integrity, who seeks to improve the
74 lives of others through positive example, hard work and the
75 undeniable truths of the Word of God; and

76 WHEREAS, the service of Representative Stamps would be
77 without honor but for the continued support, encouragement and
78 love of his family, who have endured the daunting struggles that
79 accompany the life of an elected official, and much credit is also
80 due to his loved ones who have sacrificed countless hours without
81 him in order to allow him to fulfill his legislative obligations,
82 including his wife, Shonda Scott Stamps, and their three
83 daughters, Jasmine, Kristian and Kennedi; and

84 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
85 honor the remarkable service of our colleague and friend,
86 Representative De'Keither A. Stamps, who represented his district,
87 this body and the people of this state with honor and intrepid
88 dignity:

89 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
90 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
91 commend the most honorable and distinguished Gentleman from Hinds,
92 Representative De'Keither A. Stamps, for his esteemed and laudable
93 legislative career and public service, and express fondest respect
94 and best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.



95 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
96 furnished to Representative De'Keither A. Stamps and to the
97 members of the Capitol Press Corps.

