

By: Representative Roberson

To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 201

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MOST HONORABLE AND DISTINGUISHED  
2 GENTLEMAN FROM KEMPER, REPRESENTATIVE MICHAEL T. EVANS, FOR HIS  
3 ESTEEMED LEGISLATIVE CAREER AND PUBLIC SERVICE UPON THE OCCASION  
4 OF HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

5 WHEREAS, the honorable and distinguished Gentleman from  
6 Kemper, Representative Michael T. Evans, has announced his plans  
7 for departure from the Mississippi House of Representatives at the  
8 conclusion of his current term, after tirelessly working on behalf  
9 of the citizens of Mississippi and House District 45, which  
10 encompasses parts of Kemper, Lauderdale, Neshoba and Winston  
11 Counties, marking a triumphant end to 12 years of legislative  
12 service in the hallowed halls of the Mississippi State Capitol;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, upon his election to the House of Representatives in  
15 2011, Representative Evans, a farmer and fireman by profession,  
16 became the distinguished Gentleman from Kemper upon being sworn  
17 into office on the first day of his first legislative session in  
18 January 2012, and he wasted no time requesting the legislation,  
19 amendments and reports that would help effectuate into law the



20 ideologies and policy changes that his constituents had elected  
21 him to further; and

22 WHEREAS, Representative Evans's love and deeply felt respect  
23 for the Legislature as a sacred institution is innately apparent  
24 in his welcoming and authentically pleasant and cordial  
25 disposition, which has served as a beacon of hope in pursuits to  
26 preserve and nurture the integrity of the body for all legislators  
27 who equally hold a lion's share in the stake of advancing the  
28 direction of the state's economic, educational and political  
29 climate; and

30 WHEREAS, during his legislative tenure, Representative Evans  
31 served as a member of the Agriculture, Conservation and Water  
32 Resources, Energy, Municipalities, Public Property, Public  
33 Utilities, Insurance, Transportation, Ways and Means, and  
34 Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks Committees; and

35 WHEREAS, among the numerous significant legislation that was  
36 enacted during Representative Evans's service in the House, one  
37 bill that he is most proud of, and which he authored, is the bill  
38 that transferred Kemper Lake back to the people of Kemper County,  
39 for the people to enjoy; and

40 WHEREAS, not one to limit his community involvement to the  
41 Legislature, Representative Evans has always been active in his  
42 district and dedicated to improving the quality of life for all  
43 citizens, as evidenced by his service and affiliation as a member



44 of the Mississippi Fire Chiefs' Association, Mississippi Farm  
45 Bureau, Rotary, Masons, and Mississippi Poultry Association; and

46 WHEREAS, looking back on the memories he made during his time  
47 in the Legislature, Representative Evans certainly enjoyed the  
48 great times spent on the House floor with his desk mates and  
49 friends, as they shared many laughs, as well as getting important  
50 legislative work completed, and when asked what he enjoyed most  
51 about being a legislator, he stated that he was grateful to be  
52 able to help the people back home on the small, but important,  
53 things that they were not able to get help with; and

54 WHEREAS, the service of Representative Evans would be without  
55 honor but for the continued support, encouragement and love of his  
56 family, who have endured the daunting struggles that accompany the  
57 life of an elected official, and much credit is also due to his  
58 loved ones who have sacrificed countless hours without him in  
59 order to allow him to fulfill his legislative obligations; and

60 WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives will  
61 cherish the bond and common goals for the betterment of this great  
62 state shared with Representative Evans over the course of the past  
63 12 years, and his impeccable service to the Mississippi  
64 Legislature, and to the constituents of District 45, is surely  
65 unparalleled and exemplifies the true meaning of public service;  
66 and

67 WHEREAS, Representative Evans has remained a true gentleman,  
68 grounded in his integrity, and highly regarded for his



69 understanding of the ultimate purpose of legislation, which is to  
70 serve the needs of the people, and he continually seeks to improve  
71 the lives of others through positive example, hard work and the  
72 undeniable truths of the Word of God; and

73 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
74 honor the wonderful service of our colleague and friend,  
75 Representative Evans, who represented his district, this body and  
76 the people of this state with honor and dignity:

77 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
78 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
79 commend the most honorable, distinguished Gentleman from Kemper,  
80 Representative Michael T. Evans, for his esteemed legislative  
81 career and public service, and express fondest respect and best  
82 wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

83 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
84 furnished to Representative Michael T. Evans and to the members of  
85 the Capitol Press Corps.

