

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Frazier, DeBar,
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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 105

1 A RESOLUTION TO COMMEND AND RECOGNIZE DISTRICT 42 STATE
2 SENATOR CHRISTOPHER BRIAN (CHRIS) MCDANIEL FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED
3 SERVICE IN THE MISSISSIPPI SENATE.

4 WHEREAS, District 42 State Senator Chris McDaniel has
5 announced that he will not be seeking reelection to the
6 Mississippi Senate and will be seeking statewide office. He has
7 represented Senate District 42, which includes portions of Jones
8 and Forrest Counties, for 16 years. In Chris McDaniel, the
9 citizens of District 42 have had effective representation from a
10 dedicated public servant with extensive experience in the practice
11 of law; and

12 WHEREAS, first elected to office in 2008, Senator McDaniel
13 served in the Mississippi Senate for four terms. Proud of his
14 accomplishments in the Legislature, Chris McDaniel said he has
15 always enjoyed working in the Senate and will miss it when he
16 finishes this year; and

17 WHEREAS, Senator McDaniel graduated with honors from Jones
18 County Junior College and received a B.S. with honors from William



19 Carey University in 1994. He then entered the University of
20 Mississippi School of Law, graduating cum laude in 1997 with a
21 Juris Doctor degree; and

22 WHEREAS, in 1997, Senator McDaniel entered a two-year federal
23 clerkship with United States District Court Judge Charles W.
24 Pickering. After leaving that position, he joined the law firm
25 Hortman Harlow Bassi Robinson & McDaniel, becoming a partner in
26 2003. His areas of concentration include litigation, insurance
27 defense, corporate law, products liability, commercial litigation,
28 consumer products litigation, mass tort litigation, complex
29 multiparty litigation, legislation, Constitutional law, and civil
30 rights. He is licensed to practice law in Mississippi and Texas.
31 In 2010, he was named one of the top 50 lawyers in Mississippi by
32 the *Mississippi Business Journal*. Senator McDaniel was named 2010
33 "Citizen of the Year" by the *Laurel Leader Call*. In 2012, Senator
34 McDaniel led a delegation to the Alamo Mission in San Antonio,
35 Texas, for the dedication of a monument to the eight
36 Mississippians who died when the fort was overrun in 1836; and

37 WHEREAS, Senator McDaniel is the former host of *The Right*
38 *Side Radio Show* on WMXI 98.1 FM in Hattiesburg, Mississippi,
39 nationally syndicated since 2006 by EBN Radio Network and Golden
40 Broadcasters. The show was broadcast nationwide on ABC Radio
41 Networks and the industry standard Starguide III system; and



42 WHEREAS, in 2014, Senator McDaniel ran for the U.S. Senate
43 seat occupied by Thad Cochran, and proved a formidable challenger;
44 and

45 WHEREAS, Senator McDaniel is a member of the following civic
46 and professional organizations: Mississippi Leadership Forum;
47 Mississippi Economic Council; Association for Excellence in
48 Education; NRA; Federalist Society; Mississippi Defense Lawyers
49 Association; Fifth Federal Circuit Bar Association; The Hundred
50 Club of Jones County; Rotary Club; and Exchange Club; and

51 WHEREAS, Senator McDaniel is married to Jill Tullos McDaniel,
52 the 1995 Miss Mississippi USA. They have two children, Cambridge
53 and Chamberlain; and

54 WHEREAS, at the beginning of the 2023 Regular Session, Chris
55 McDaniel served on the following committees: Environmental
56 Protection, Conservation and Water Resources, Chair; Ethics,
57 Vice-Chair; Accountability, Efficiency and Transparency; Drug
58 Policy; Energy; Enrolled Bills; Finance; Judiciary A; Judiciary B;
59 and Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks; and

60 WHEREAS, Senator McDaniel's service has been marked by his
61 sound judgment, civility, courtesy and fairness. He has set the
62 highest standard in all of his many roles: husband, father,
63 attorney, radio communicator, statesman, community leader, leader
64 in the Mississippi Senate, and as a true friend. Chris' service
65 honored both the Mississippi Senate and this great state that he
66 loves and serves:



67 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
68 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and recognize District 42
69 State Senator Chris McDaniel for his distinguished service in the
70 Mississippi Senate.

71 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
72 Senator Chris McDaniel and made available to the Capitol Press
73 Corps.

