To: Rules

By: Representative Oliver

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 52

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND HONORING MR. CHARLES WILSON 2 DISMUKES FOR HIS OUTSTANDING DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE 3 FORESTRY INDUSTRY. WHEREAS, Mr. Charles Wilson Dismukes dedicated his life's 4 work to forestry, and his legacy of remarkable service and many 5 contributions to the forestry industry is certainly unparalleled; 7 and WHEREAS, Mr. Dismukes graduated from Kilmichael High School 8 9 in 1957, before attending Mississippi State University (MSU), where he earned his bachelor of science degree in forest 10 11 management, and became a lifelong Bulldog; and WHEREAS, an avid outdoorsman, Mr. Dismukes began his lifelong 12 13 career in land management at the age of 13 years old when he 14 started his first tree farm, and following his graduation from Mississippi State University, he spent a short time in the forest 15 16 industry, before joining his father at Vaiden Pulpwood Company, taking over the business in 1973, and the company is now owned and 17

operated by his sons as Vaiden Timber Company; and

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- 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Dismukes was a founding member of the Montgomery
- 20 County Forestry Association, and he was also a dedicated member of
- 21 numerous organizations that are devoted to service and
- 22 preservation of natural resources, including the Society of
- 23 American Foresters, Mississippi Forestry Association and Lions
- 24 Club of Kilmichael, and he worked diligently to promote education
- 25 of private landowners in Mississippi, and contributed financially
- 26 to youth who attended MSU for forestry; and
- 27 WHEREAS, because of his immense contributions and exceptional
- 28 service to the forestry industry in Mississippi, in 2012, Mr.
- 29 Dismukes was named Mississippi's Tree Farmer of the Year, and in
- 30 2018, he was awarded for outstanding service to Mississippi's
- 31 County Forestry Association; and
- 32 WHEREAS, outside of his distinguished career in the forestry
- 33 industry, Mr. Dismukes was devoted to his family, and he enjoyed
- 34 spending time in the woods and his woodshop, traveling with his
- 35 wife, trout fishing in Arkansas, and cheering on his beloved
- 36 Mississippi State Bulldogs; and
- 37 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
- 38 recognize and honor extraordinary Mississippians, especially those
- 39 such as Mr. Dismukes, whose service and contributions to the
- 40 forestry industry will always be remembered:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
- 42 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby

- 43 commend and honor Mr. Charles Wilson Dismukes for his outstanding
- 44 dedication and service to the forestry industry.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
- 46 furnished to the family of Mr. Charles Wilson Dismukes and to the
- 47 members of the Capitol Press Corps.