

By: Senator(s) Boyd, McCaughn, Thompson,
Suber, Sparks, Whaley, Hopson

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 80

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE EXTENSIVE JUDICIAL CAREER AND
2 SERVICE OF MISSISSIPPI COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE JIM GREENLEE OF
3 OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT.

4 WHEREAS, we join the Mississippi Bar and legal community in
5 recognizing the honorable judicial career and governmental service
6 of Honorable Judge Jim Greenlee of Oxford, Mississippi, on the
7 occasion of his retirement on June 30, 2024; and

8 WHEREAS, in January 2016, Governor Phil Bryant appointed
9 Judge Greenlee to the Mississippi Court of Appeals, succeeding
10 James D. Maxwell II, who had been elevated to the Supreme Court of
11 Mississippi. Greenlee was elected without opposition to a full
12 eight-year term in November 2016; and

13 WHEREAS, Judge Greenlee graduated from the University of
14 Mississippi with a Bachelor of Engineering in 1974 before joining
15 the United States Navy. He served active duty for four years and
16 continued service in the Naval Reserve, retiring in 1997 at the
17 rank of Captain. During his naval service, he was commanding



18 officer of a Reserve Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS)
19 Unit; and

20 WHEREAS, Judge Greenlee earned his Juris Doctor from the
21 University of Mississippi School of Law in 1981 and entered
22 private practice in North Mississippi. He was hired as Assistant
23 United States Attorney in the Northern District of Mississippi in
24 1987, working in the Civil Division, where he became the lead
25 civil fraud attorney trying bankruptcy, tort, employment rights,
26 eminent domain and white collar criminal cases; and

27 WHEREAS, in 2001, he was nominated to be United States
28 Attorney by President George W. Bush and was confirmed by the
29 United State Senate, serving until January 31, 2010. After
30 leaving the U.S. Attorney's office, he joined the law firm Holcomb
31 Dunbar in Oxford, Mississippi, practicing white collar and
32 criminal law, governmental enforcement defense and litigates in
33 federal and state courts; and

34 WHEREAS, Judge Greenlee is a member of the Mississippi State
35 Bar, the Lafayette County Bar Association and is a former member
36 of the Federal Bar Association, having served the Federal Bar as
37 Northern District vice president. A bencher in the William C.
38 Keady Chapter of American Inns of Court, he is also a fellow of
39 The Litigation Counsel of America, an honorary of attorneys in
40 trial practice. Greenlee was inducted as a fellow of the
41 Mississippi Bar Foundation in 2010; and



42 WHEREAS, Judge Greenlee has served as a leader and mentor in
43 the administration of justice in Mississippi, and consistently
44 lectured on the professional standards of the practice, including
45 ethics, integrity, civility, courtesy and adherence to the Golden
46 Rule. Judge Greenlee's career has honored both the Mississippi
47 Bar and this great state that he served:

48 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
49 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the extensive judicial
50 career and service of Mississippi Court of Appeals Judge Jim Greenlee of
51 Oxford, Mississippi, on the occasion of his retirement and extend
52 the best wishes of the Senate to Judge Greenlee, his wife, Ann,
53 and their children for future success.

54 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
55 Judge Jim Greenlee and his family, forwarded to the Mississippi
56 Court of Appeals and the Mississippi Bar and made available to the
57 Capitol Press Corps.

