

By: Representative Hood

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 84

1 A RESOLUTION MOURNING THE LOSS AND COMMEMORATING THE LIFE,
2 LEGACY AND SERVICE OF MS. PRISCILLA ANN REVES, AND EXPRESSING
3 DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS UPON HER PASSING.

4 WHEREAS, it is written in Ecclesiastes 3:1, "To everything
5 there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the Heaven,"
6 and as such, the immaculate author and finisher of our soul's
7 destiny summoned the mortal presence of dearly beloved, Ms.
8 Priscilla Ann Reves, to eternal rest on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, as
9 she made life's final transition from earthly toil to heavenly
10 reward, rendering great sorrow and loss to her family, friends and
11 the community of Eupora, Mississippi; and

12 WHEREAS, the City of Eupora and the State of Mississippi lost
13 a devoted educator, historian and cherished community member with
14 the passing of Ms. Reves, a woman whose lifelong dedication to
15 learning and service left an indelible impact on the lives of
16 many, and there is now a hush in our hearts as we come together to
17 pay our respects to the memory of one who has been called to join
18 that innumerable heavenly caravan; and



19 WHEREAS, born as the only child to Mr. Roy Kelly "Buster"
20 Reves and Mrs. Jane Murphy Reves on April 15, 1943, in Eupora,
21 Mississippi, Ms. Reves exhibited an early passion for education
22 and history, graduating from the Eupora school system before
23 earning her degree in secondary education with a specialization in
24 mathematics from Mississippi State University in just three years;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, Ms. Reves committed her professional life to the
27 noble calling of education, teaching advanced mathematics at
28 Eupora High School, where she guided and mentored countless
29 students who went on to become doctors, lawyers, engineers and
30 educators, taking immense pride in their successes; and

31 WHEREAS, after concluding her teaching career, Ms. Reves
32 continued her service to the State of Mississippi as an auditor
33 for the State Auditor's Office, traveling extensively to ensure
34 fiscal responsibility in schools across the state; and

35 WHEREAS, possessing an appreciation for history and antiques,
36 Ms. Reves pursued her passion by operating a small antique shop
37 from her home, preserving and sharing the treasures of the past
38 with the community she so dearly loved; and

39 WHEREAS, a woman of remarkable diligence, Ms. Reves found
40 great joy in working outdoors, meticulously tending to her yard,
41 raking leaves, and caring for her plants, embodying a deep
42 connection to nature and the beauty of the world around her; and



43 WHEREAS, a dedicated historian, Ms. Reves invested years of
44 research into documenting the history of Eupora, culminating in a
45 book that serves as a valuable resource for future generations,
46 and she further demonstrated her meticulous nature in restoring
47 the senior class photos of Eupora High School, ensuring that the
48 legacy of its graduates was preserved; and

49 WHEREAS, her talents extended beyond education and history,
50 as she was an accomplished artist, pianist and craftswoman,
51 excelling in quilting, needlework and home renovation, never
52 hesitating to take on challenging projects with determination and
53 skill; and

54 WHEREAS, relying on the tenets of faith instilled in her by
55 her parents, Ms. Reves remained cognizant of the words recorded in
56 I John 3:2, "Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we
57 will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ
58 appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is," and
59 dedicated her life to Christ; and

60 WHEREAS, a woman of profound generosity, Ms. Reves' selfless
61 benevolence continues to as posthumous endowment with the
62 establishment of a scholarship in her memory for Eupora High
63 School students pursuing STEM fields in college, ensuring that her
64 legacy of academic excellence and dedication to education would
65 continue to benefit future scholars; and

66 WHEREAS, though she traversed life's river to now stand upon
67 the celestial shores in wonderment of Heaven's grandeur in



68 glorious reunion with the kindred spirits of her dear parents, the
69 memories of Ms. Reves will continue to be cherished by her many
70 cousins, former students, and friends who were blessed to have
71 known her and to have been touched by her kindness, wisdom, and
72 passion for learning; and

73 WHEREAS, we encourage those who loved Ms. Reves to find
74 solace in the words recorded in 2 Timothy 4:7, "I have fought the
75 good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith," and
76 to hold fast to the knowledge that she now rests in peace; and

77 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
78 recognize the lives of such remarkable individuals as Ms. Reves,
79 whose unwavering dedication to education, history and her
80 community serves as an inspiration to all:

81 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
82 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
83 mourn the loss, commemorate the life, legacy and service of Ms.
84 Priscilla Ann Reves, and express deepest sympathy upon her passing
85 to her family and friends.

86 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
87 furnished to the family of Ms. Priscilla Ann Reves, to Eupora High
88 School and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

