

By: Reynolds

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING MR. JOHN E. MCKINNON FOR
2 HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY DURING WORLD WAR II.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. John E. McKinnon, a native of Tennessee, joined
4 the Marines and faithfully served his country during World War II;
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6 WHEREAS, having been promoted to Corporal and assigned as a
7 squad leader, Mr. McKinnon was instructed to give a platoon of
8 recruits advanced combat training; and

9 WHEREAS, following the training, Mr. McKinnon spent time
10 battling in Samoa, the island of Eniwetok, Guam, and Iwo Jima,
11 where he was severely wounded in his right leg; and

12 WHEREAS, after his discharge on September 26, 1945, Mr.
13 McKinnon attended Miller-Hawking Business College, where he
14 completed a number of courses, including two years of accounting;
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16 WHEREAS, Mr. McKinnon worked for Lykes Brothers Steamship
17 Company, then at Memphis Equipment Company, where he worked for 35
18 years before retiring as assistant secretary-treasurer; and

19 WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Mr. McKinnon is
20 an elder, treasurer and general manager of Oakland Presbyterian
21 Church, active with the Third Marine Division Association, a

22 member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, a Mason, a Shriner, a
23 charter member of the state charter of the Military Order of the
24 Purple Heart and a member of the 2000 Club of Iwo Jima Veterans;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. McKinnon has been lovingly supported in his
27 endeavors by his wife, Sara, and his children and grandchildren;
28 and

29 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Legislature of the State of
30 Mississippi to commend excellence and bravery of World War II
31 veterans such as Mr. John McKinnon:

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
33 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
34 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend Mr. John McKinnon for his
35 outstanding service to his country during World War II and extend
36 to him our heartiest wishes for success in all his future
37 endeavors.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
39 furnished to Mr. John McKinnon and to members of the Capitol Press
40 Corps.