

By: Senator(s) Jordan

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 44

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING 104-YEAR-OLD IRENE  
2 PERRY OF GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI, ON THE OCCASION OF HER FIRST  
3 VISIT TO THE NEW CAPITOL BUILDING AND THE CITY OF JACKSON.

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Irene Perry was born on December 4, 1897, in  
5 Charleston, Mississippi, to the late Mr. Bennie and Liza Haskins,  
6 and grew up on the Crenshaw Farm in Charleston, Mississippi; and

7 WHEREAS, she was married to the late Mr. Joe Perry, and they  
8 lived together until the death of her loving husband; and

9 WHEREAS, she later moved to Greenwood, Mississippi, and  
10 joined the Greater Turner Chapel AME Church, and served as a class  
11 leader for a number of years; and

12 WHEREAS, Mrs. Perry is presently serving as President of the  
13 Stewardesses Board, and is still active in her church after 62  
14 years; and

15 WHEREAS, Mrs. Perry was born before the New Capitol Building  
16 was constructed in 1900-1903, and will be making her first visit  
17 to the State Capitol, her first trip to Jackson, and will be  
18 shaking hands with state officials for the first time in her 104  
19 years; and

20 WHEREAS, through the blessing of God, Mrs. Perry has lived  
21 during three centuries and is a priceless living history, and it  
22 is with great pride that we acknowledge the charitable and civic  
23 service of this Mississippian on this auspicious event:

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
25 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate  
26 104-year-old Irene Perry of Greenwood, Mississippi, on the  
27 occasion of her first visit to the State Capitol. We thank

28 Reverend Cedell Raggs, Pastor of Greater Turner Chapel AME Church  
29 for making the accomplishments of Mrs. Perry known to us, and we  
30 wish her continued success in her future endeavors.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be  
32 presented to Mrs. Perry and be made available to the Capitol Press  
33 Corps.