

By: Senator(s) Carmichael, King, Walls

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 547

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING SAM PROVENZA FOR HIS  
2 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE VETERANS' HOME PURCHASE BOARD OF THE  
3 STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.

4 WHEREAS, Sam Provenza is a decorated veteran of the United  
5 States Army Air Corps, having been a flight engineer on a B-17  
6 bomber during World War II and having flown numerous missions over  
7 the European theater; and

8 WHEREAS, Sam Provenza had a successful entrepreneurial career  
9 as a Pepsi Cola bottler and distributor; and

10 WHEREAS, Sam Provenza has served as a volunteer and has held  
11 offices on many civic organizations such as the Washington County  
12 Convention and Visitors Bureau, St. Jude Children's Hospital,  
13 Washington County Economic Development District and Washington  
14 County Red Cross Crime Stoppers; and

15 WHEREAS, Sam Provenza is a charter member of the Seagull Club  
16 established at Jim's Café in Greenville, Mississippi; and

17 WHEREAS, Sam Provenza served on the Board of Directors of the  
18 Veterans' Home Purchase Board from 1974-2006 and as its Chairman  
19 from 1988-2006; and

20 WHEREAS, during his period of service, Mr. Provenza's  
21 leadership, dedication, knowledge and commitment to those he  
22 served enabled the Veterans' Home Purchase Board to effectively  
23 and efficiently provide funds to Mississippi military veterans for  
24 the purchase of homes; and

25 WHEREAS, members of the board have expressed their high  
26 regard for his record of service with the organization; and

27           WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the  
28 meritorious service of this outstanding citizen of our state:

29           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
30 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
31 we do hereby commend Sam Provenza for his leadership and  
32 distinguished service as a member and Chairman of the Veterans'  
33 Home Purchase Board and for his faithful performance of the duties  
34 and obligations imposed upon that office.

35           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be  
36 presented to Sam Provenza and be made available to the Capitol  
37 Press Corps.