

By: Representative Gipson

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1

1 A RESOLUTION URGING ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND GOVERNMENTAL  
2 AGENCIES IN MISSISSIPPI TO AVOID AND SUSPEND ALL CONTACTS AND  
3 OUTREACH ACTIVITIES WITH THE COUNCIL ON AMERICAN ISLAMIC RELATIONS  
4 (CAIR).

5 WHEREAS, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has suspended  
6 all formal contacts with CAIR (the Council on American Islamic  
7 Relations) due to evidence demonstrating a relationship between  
8 CAIR and HAMAS, a designated Foreign Terrorist Organization; and

9 WHEREAS, in the *U.S. v. the Holy Land Foundation*, the largest  
10 successful terrorism financing prosecution in United States  
11 history, CAIR was identified as a Muslim Brotherhood front group  
12 and was named an unindicted co-conspirator in the trial; and

13 WHEREAS, CAIR opened its first office in Washington, D.C.  
14 with the help of a grant from the Holy Land Foundation, a  
15 charitable organization that was shut down by the United States  
16 Department of the Treasury for funding Jihadist terrorist  
17 organizations; and



18           WHEREAS, in 2014, United States ally, the United Arab  
19 Emirates, officially designated CAIR as a terrorist organization;  
20 and

21           WHEREAS, in March 2011, Muthanna Al-Hanooti, one of CAIR's  
22 directors, was sentenced to a year in federal prison for violating  
23 United States sanctions against Saddam's Iraq; and

24           WHEREAS, in 2006, the co-founder of CAIR's parent  
25 organization, IAP (Islamic Association for Palestine), Sami  
26 Al-Arian, was sentenced to 57 months in prison on terrorism  
27 charges for financing Palestinian Islamic Jihad, a designated  
28 terrorist organization according to the United States Department  
29 of the Treasury; and

30           WHEREAS, in 2004, CAIR Northern Virginia Director Abdurahman  
31 Alamoudi pled guilty to terrorism-related financial and conspiracy  
32 charges, which resulted in a 23-year federal prison sentence; and

33           WHEREAS, Randall Todd Royer, who served as a communications  
34 specialist and civil rights coordinator for CAIR, trained with  
35 Lashkar-e-Taiba, an al Qaeda-tied Kashmir organization that is  
36 listed on the State Department's international terror list and was  
37 also indicted on charges of conspiring to help al Qaeda and the  
38 Taliban battle American troops in Afghanistan and was sentenced to  
39 20 years in prison on April 9, 2004; and

40           WHEREAS, in September 2003, CAIR's former Community Affairs  
41 Director, Bassem Khafagi, pled guilty to three federal counts of  
42 bank and visa fraud and agreed to be deported to Egypt after he



43 had funneled money to activities supporting terrorism and had  
44 published material advocating suicide attacks against the United  
45 States and illegal activities took place while he was employed by  
46 CAIR; and

47 WHEREAS, Ann Arbor, Michigan, CAIR fundraiser Rabih Kaddad  
48 was arrested on terrorism-related charges and was deported from  
49 the United States due to his work as Executive Director of the  
50 Global Relief Foundation, which in October 2002 was designated by  
51 the United States Department of the Treasury for financing al  
52 Qaeda and other terrorist organizations; and

53 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
54 help secure the safety and freedom of all Mississippians:

55 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
56 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
57 call on all law enforcement and governmental agencies in our state  
58 to avoid and suspend all contacts and outreach activities with the  
59 Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR).

60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
61 furnished to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

