

## RESOLUTION

A Resolution of Tribute to the Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi:

Whereas, from January 1876 to this moment the Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi has conducted the government of this state with such skill, valor, and faithfulness that we have today become one of the greatest states of the Union, with a populace whose spirit, progress, and courage is unmatched, and

Whereas, the campaign to rid this state of Republican Reconstruction was begun in the Democratic State Convention here in this same Jackson, Mississippi, on August 3, 1875, and

Whereas, L.O.C. Lamar, Gen. J.Z. George, Gen. E.C. Walthall, Governor B.G. Humphries, Governor Charles Clark, Robert Lowry, and other great Mississippi Democrats participated in that Convention and made the plans which broke the yoke of Reconstruction, and

Whereas, each of the following distinguished governors of our State was a member of our State Democratic Party, namely, John M. Stone, Anse McLaurin, A.K. Longino, James K. Vardaman, E.F. Noel, Earl Brewer, Theodore G. Bilbo, Lee Russell, Henry L. Whitfield, Dennis Murphree, Mike Conner, Hugh White, Paul B. Johnson, Sr., Thomas L. Bailey, Fielding L. Wright, J.P. Coleman, Ross R. Barnett, and Paul B. Johnson, Jr.

Whereas, the evil forces of Communism, despotism, atheism, immorality, integration, and lawlessness are now at our very gates, and stand as a direct threat to our women, children, and all that we know to be right, good, and true, and

Whereas, it now behooves each of us to cast aside all matters of pride, ambition, and selfishness, if there be such among us, and seek only God's will as to how we, as members of our beloved state Democratic Party, can best and most successfully defend our people, and also those principles of freedom and decency which are dearer than life itself, now

Therefore, Be It Resolved that we, as members of the Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi, in this great hour of peril, when the invader is already within our borders, pledge one to the other in defense of our beloved State and her great principles, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor, So Help Us God.