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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MR. GEORGE R. MARX UPON BEING NAMED THE 127TH CHAIRMAN OF THE MISSISSIPPI BANKERS ASSOCIATION.

WHEREAS, in recognition of his successful 46 year banking career, Banker George R. Marx from Hazlehurst, Mississippi, has been named the 127th Chairman of the Mississippi Bankers Association; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, Mr. Marx has always been a people's person, and it was after working two summers as a bank teller at the Bank of Hazlehurst, that he decided to change his major from pre-veterinarian medicine to banking and finance because he knew that the banking industry would provide him a career where he could both interact with and serve others; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Mississippi State University in 1969, Mr. Marx joined the Deposit Guaranty National Bank's management training program, and he quickly rose to Real Estate Officer, Assistant Vice President and Assistant Manager in the Real Estate Department, but after six years at Deposit Guaranty,

Mr. Marx left to return home and work for the Bank of Hazlehurst; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marx has remained at the Bank of Hazlehurst since joining the bank in 1975 as Assistant Vice President, and he now serves as Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of now-named Copiah Bank, N.A.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marx's involvement with the Mississippi Banking Association began when he was encouraged by former MBA Chairman Buddy Prestridge to take an active role in the organization, and Mr. Marx began his association with MBA by serving on the Nominating Committee and was later elected to a three-year term on the MBA Board of Directors and dutifully served as the Chairman of the Legislative and MBA Bank Lending Committees, and on the Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, after spending time with the MBA and learning about its important role, Mr. Marx decided to expand his role in the banking industry and became an active member of the American Banking Association, serving on the ABA's Community Banker's Council for six years; and

WHEREAS, moving up the ranks in the Mississippi Banking Association, Mr. Marx was elected to serve as treasurer in 2013, and in 2014 he was elected vice chairman, during which time he developed a strong passion for developing financial education throughout the state while serving as Chairman of the Board of the MBA Education Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marx hopes to continue the unity that brings all MBA members together by focusing on three key goals that will help shape the banking industry in Mississippi: cultivating relationships, working for regulatory relief and developing young banker leadership; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his roles in the banking industry, Mr. Marx is an active member and leader in his community and is a member of several organizations, including the Copiah County Heart Association, Hazlehurst Chamber of Commerce, Copiah Educational Foundation, Inc., the Copiah County Chapter of the Mississippi State Alumni Association and the Copiah Academy Athletic Booster Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marx has also served as treasurer of the Copiah Fair Association and the Copiah Forestry Association, in addition to serving on the Executive Board of the Copiah Endowment Corporation, and the boards of Hardy Wilson Memorial Hospital and the Copiah County Economic Development District; and

WHEREAS, outside of banking, Mr. Marx leads a joyous family life with his wife of 47 years, Diane, along with their children, Ramsey, Whitney and Denton and their eight grandchildren, and Mr. Marx and his wife are active members of Hazlehurst United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. Marx's leadership the Mississippi Banking Association will undoubtedly flourish and continue its legacy of professionalism and trustworthiness; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize such outstanding leaders as Mr. Marx, whose long and distinguished banking career has improved the lives of everyday Mississippians:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate George R. Marx upon being named the 127th Chairman of the Mississippi Bankers Association, and extend best wishes for success during his leadership and in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to Mr. George R. Marx, the Mississippi Bankers Association and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
January 26, 2016

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
January 28, 2016

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE