

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Senator Dowd**

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7 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

8 EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR MR. VASCO McCOY, JR. FOR
9 DONATING A TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED YEAR OLD EGYPTIAN
10 SARCOPHAGUS TO THE ARKANSAS MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY.

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12 WHEREAS, Mr. Vasco McCoy, Jr. of Texarkana, Arkansas donated an Egyptian
13 sarcophagus to the Arkansas Museum of Science and History; and

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15 WHEREAS, the coffin dates to the Saite period around 600 B.C.; and

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17 WHEREAS, the coffin was excavated under the supervision of the Cairo
18 Museum in Egypt and Egyptologist who examined the coffin prior to its arrival
19 in Little Rock described it as one of the finest seen outside of the Cairo
20 Museum; and

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22 WHEREAS, under the sponsorship of Secretary of State Bill McCuen the
23 coffin will be displayed at the State Capitol as a part of the Museum of
24 Science and History's many exhibits and entitled "Funerary Practices of
25 Ancient Egypt"; and

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27 WHEREAS, Air Masters, Inc. of Little Rock has provided the special
28 environment in the exhibit room which is necessary to protect the delicate
29 sarcophagus.

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31 NOW THEREFORE,

32 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
33 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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35 That Mr. Vasco McCoy, Jr. of Texarkana is hereby commended for donating

1 to the Arkansas Museum of Science and History an Egyptian sarcophagus dating
2 to six hundred (600) B.C.;

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Secretary of State Bill McCuen and the
5 Arkansas Museum of Science and History are commended for sponsoring an exhibit
6 of "Funerary Practices of Ancient Egypt" at the State Capitol beginning
7 February 13, 1991 and ending April 1, 1991;

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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that appreciation is hereby expressed to Air
10 Masters, Inc., of Little Rock for providing the necessary environmental
11 conditions in the exhibit room of the State Capitol;

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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Arkansans are encouraged to follow the
14 example of Mr. Vasco McCoy, Jr. in donating artifacts to the Arkansas Museum
15 of Science and History and other appropriate institutions of the state.

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