

**Hall of the House of Representatives**  
87th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2009  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Concurrent Memorial Resolution No. 1002**

"IN RESPECTFUL MEMORY OF MR. JOHN LEWIS AND IN RECOGNITION OF HIS  
MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND HIS COMMUNITY."

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Concurrent Memorial Resolution No. 1002.**

Amend House Concurrent Memorial Resolution No. 1002 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Barnett, House, D. Hutchinson, Lindsey, M. Martin, Pyle, and Summers as cosponsors of the resolution

AND

Add Senators Madison, Bledsoe, J. Key, and B. Pritchard as cosponsors of the resolution

AND

Delete the title and substitute the following: "CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND CONTRIBUTIONS, AND MOURNING THE PASSING OF, JOHN MILES LEWIS."

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Delete the subtitle and substitute the following: CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND CONTRIBUTIONS, AND MOURNING THE PASSING OF, JOHN MILES LEWIS."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 22 through 24, and substitute the following:

"WHEREAS, John Miles Lewis of Fayetteville, Arkansas, died Friday, June 1, 2007; and was born June 3, 1939, in Fayetteville, Arkansas, to Herbert and Gertrude Miles Lewis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis was a fifth-generation Fayetteville, Arkansas, native who entered Fayetteville High School in 1954 and was a member of the first integrated class in the South following the United States Supreme Court decision mandating racially integrated public schools; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from Fayetteville High School, Mr. Lewis attended the University of Arkansas and served in the United States Marines



Corps before beginning his financial career; and

WHEREAS, after nine (9) years with an investment banking group in Dallas, Texas, Mr. Lewis returned to Fayetteville, Arkansas, in 1969 as vice president of First National Bank of Fayetteville; became president and CEO just five (5) years later; but Mr. Lewis left First National Bank in 1985 and led the efforts to form the Bank of Fayetteville, chartered in 1987 as a community-owned bank with three hundred forty-four (344) local shareholders; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. Lewis' chairmanship, the Bank of Fayetteville not only survived its first decade, but flourished as a community-owned and directed bank in times otherwise marked by nationwide bank mergers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis' innovative and unique management style placed his banks on the cutting edge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis was among the first in the nation to install an automatic teller machine, to establish a subsidiary community development corporation, and to establish an in-bank investment subsidiary sanctioned by the Securities and Exchange Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis always believed that the success of a business is interdependent with the success of its community; his collaborative leadership was key to revitalizing Fayetteville's downtown; and he played significant roles in the renovation and construction of most of the structures composing today's vibrant town square, from the First National Bank (now Bank of America) Building to the Old Post Office and its remarkable gardens; and

WHEREAS, as a visionary thinker, Mr. Lewis' counsel was widely sought and valued; he served for twelve (12) years as a Fayetteville School Board of Education member; and he served on the boards of the Beaver Water District, Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation, Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, SWEPCO, Washington Regional Medical Foundation, and the Washington County School Board; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his passing, he was chair of the Genesis Technology Incubator and the Arkansas Technology Development Foundation, and president of the Northwest Arkansas Museum Foundation; and

WHEREAS, John Miles Lewis was survived by his wife, Helen Marie Lewis of Fayetteville, Arkansas; a son, John Miles (Jay) Lewis Jr. of Fayetteville; a daughter, Julianne Lewis of Fayetteville; two (2) brothers, Herbert A. Lewis and David E. Lewis, both of Fayetteville; two (2) grandchildren, Savannah Jay Mills and Sara Caroline Mills, both of Fayetteville; three stepsisters, Sandra Hammond of Palo Alto, California, Deede Mueller of Oakland, California, and Jan McClurg of Redmond, Washington; and three stepchildren, Jay Baughman and his wife, Kim, and their children, Courtney, Carson, and Woods Baughman, Elizabeth Lewis and her children, Morgan and Michael Lewis, and Graham Baughman and his wife, Molly, and their children, Carter and Chloe Baughman,

NOW THEREFORE,  
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the House of Representatives and Senate honor the memory of John  
Miles Lewis; celebrate his life and significant contributions to public  
service in his community, our state, our nation, and the world; and remember  
him, with the deepest admiration and respect for his intellect, his service,  
his innovative spirit, his cutting-edge insights, his personal warmth,  
courage, decency, humor, and consideration for others."

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_

By: Representative L. Smith

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Chief Clerk