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ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS' COUNCILS

OF MISSISSIPPI

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A RESOLUTION

Whereas, the executive branch of our Federal Government, for political reasons, and without the requirement of law, at the urging of various special interest minority pressure groups and with the use of naked power, chooses to humiliate our helpless war veterans with a deliberate racial integration of wards in all Veterans Administration hospitals; and

Whereas, the humiliation of integration causes deep psychological reactions on physically helpless war veterans which could greatly injure their health and well being in a way likely never to be undone; and

Whereas, we do not accept or condone this situation just because it presently exists, and we propose to use every lawful means to cause a return to the policy of racial separation in hospital wards in States whose customs and laws require it; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by this ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS' COUNCILS OF MISSISSIPPI, That the Congress of the United States is hereby memorialized and respectfully urged to enact such legislation as they deem fit to cause Veterans Hospitals to be operated in conformity with the customs, traditions and laws of the States wherein they are located. And be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this memorial be transmitted to the President of the United States, all members of Congress and the Senate from this State, all interested patriotic and veteran groups, all State officials, members of the State Legislature and other interested organizations and individuals throughout this Nation.

ADOPTED THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1957, BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF THE ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS' COUNCILS OF MISSISSIPPI.

*Dedicated to the maintenance of peace, good order and domestic tranquility in our Community and in our State
and to the preservation of our State's Rights.*