

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF DEPUTY SERGEANT MARTIN SHIELDS FOR  
HIS COURAGE AND PROFESSIONALISM AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2025, at the early age of 37, Hinds County Deputy Sergeant Martin Shields lost his life in the call of duty while responding to a domestic incident in Terry, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sargeant Shields was a dedicated and experienced law enforcement officer, having responsibly served as an officer in multiple law enforcement agencies, including the Jackson Police Department, the Ridgeland Police Department, at Jackson State University, the Mississippi Department of Corrections, and, at his final pos, the Hinds County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Shields received numerous awards and commendations for his selfless service, including receipt of the "I AM THE CITY OF JACKSON Award" for his courageous action in saving the life of a person in the throes of a drug addiction; and

WHEREAS, born on July 14, 1987, Deputy Shields attended Lanier High School, Hinds Community College, and graduated from the Mississippi Law Enforcement Training Academy; and

WHEREAS, at his untimely death, Deputy Sargeant Shields resided in Madison County at Yandell Farms in Canton, Mississippi, where he was a loving husband to Kristian Shields, and a dedicated father to daughter, Aubrey Shields; and

WHEREAS, as Deputy Shields throughout his professional life demonstrated a true and unwavering commitment to public service and a passion for protecting vulnerable victims of crime, the Madison County Board of Supervisors wishes to honor and commend him for a life well-served.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Madison County Board of Supervisors does hereby commend Deputy Sargeant Martin Shields for his life of exemplary service as a law enforcement officer and offers its condolences to his wife and family on his untimely death, met courageously in the call of duty in Terry, Mississippi on Sunday, February 23, 2025.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution, after approval of the board and signature of the President of the Madison County Board of Supervisors, be presented to the family of Deputy Sargeant Martin Shields as a suitable memento of the respect, affection and esteem to which he is held by the citizens, the elected officials, law enforcement officers, his neighbors, and of all of those who reside and work in Madison County, Mississippi.

Approved this day of April 21, 2025, by unanimous vote of the Madison County Board of Supervisors, upon Motion made by Supervisor Paul Griffin and Seconded by Supervisor Karl Banks.

Madison County Board of Supervisors:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gerald Steen, President