By: Representatives Scott (17th), Ford, Holland, McCoy

To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12 (As Adopted by House)

- 1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MRS. LINDA KAY ROWAN CLIFTON FOR HER
- 2 OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION IN THE STATE
- 3 OF MISSISSIPPI.
- 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Linda Kay Rowan Clifton, a dedicated educator
- 5 for twenty-four years, has made many outstanding contributions to
- 6 the field of education in the State of Mississippi; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clifton, the daughter of Howard and Maxine
- 8 Rowan, was born on September 23, 1949, in Baldwyn, Mississippi,
- 9 and attended the public schools in Union County, Mississippi; and
- 10 WHEREAS, after graduating from high school, Mrs. Clifton
- 11 furthered her education at Northeast Mississippi Community
- 12 College, Mississippi State University and the University of
- 13 Mississippi; and
- 14 WHEREAS, throughout her career, Mrs. Clifton has loyally
- 15 served as a teacher, counselor and principal in the public schools
- 16 in Union County and the cities of Booneville and Tupelo,
- 17 Mississippi; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clifton has been recognized by the Mississippi
- 19 Humanities Council as the 1998 Humanities Educator of the Year for
- 20 the State of Mississippi; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clifton also has received many awards for her
- 22 tireless contributions to the students of Mississippi, including
- 23 Star Teacher, Northeast Mississippi Counselor of the Year,
- 24 Mississippi Counselor of the Year, SERVE's Dare to Dream Award and
- 25 Woodmen of the World Conservation Award; and
- 26 WHEREAS, currently principal at Tupelo Middle School, Mrs.

- 27 Clifton has led the schools under her direction to received
- 28 notable awards for various programs such as the Colgate Award for
- 29 Youth Services, the Public Education Forum Award, the Mississippi
- 30 Exemplary School Award for Service Learning, the Southeastern
- 31 Regional Vision for Education's National Award for Science
- 32 Programs for Females, National Award for Environmental Science and
- 33 the Mississippi Municipal Association's Keep Mississippi Moving
- 34 Award; and
- 35 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of
- 36 the State of Mississippi to recognize and pay special tribute to
- 37 remarkable educators such as Mrs. Linda Kay Rowan Clifton, who
- 38 continues to provide outstanding educational leadership to the
- 39 youth of our state in the public schools of Mississippi:
- 40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
- 41 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
- 42 commend Mrs. Linda Kay Rowan Clifton for her exceptional
- 43 contributions to the field of education in the State of
- 44 Mississippi and extend to her our heartiest wishes for success in
- 45 all her future endeavors.
- 46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
- 47 furnished to Mrs. Linda Kay Rowan Clifton, Tupelo Middle School
- 48 and members of the Capitol Press Corps.