

By: Senator(s) Gordon, Huggins

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 539  
(As Adopted by House and Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MARY  
2 KEEN OF BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI, UPON HER RETIREMENT AS STATE BOND  
3 ADVISORY DIRECTOR.

4 WHEREAS, on December 31, 1998, Mary Keen of Brandon,  
5 Mississippi, retired as the State Bond Advisory Director with more  
6 than twenty-one years of state service; and

7 WHEREAS, Mary Keen, a certified public accountant, received  
8 her Bachelor's Degree in Accounting in 1971 and her Master's  
9 Degree in Business Administration in 1974 from Mississippi  
10 College; and

11 WHEREAS, Mary Keen entered public service for the State of  
12 Mississippi in April 1976, working for the Mississippi Park  
13 Commission, the Department of Public Accounts, the State Auditor,  
14 the Fiscal Management Board and the Department of Finance and  
15 Administration; and

16 WHEREAS, Mary Keen performed many essential services for the  
17 State of Mississippi, such as assisting in the development of the  
18 Mississippi Agency Accounting Principles and Procedure Manual;  
19 teaching agency accountants GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting  
20 Principles) accounting and reporting upon its implementation,  
21 compiling financial information and writing financial notes for  
22 the state's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, resulting in  
23 the first award-winning Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for  
24 the State of Mississippi; acting as the Cash Management  
25 Improvement Coordinator for the State of Mississippi, maintaining  
26 records of the state's outstanding bonds and other indebtedness;

27 preparing fiscal reports of the state's financial status, and  
28 acting as a liaison with many other state agencies and  
29 institutions in order to formulate policies, procedures and  
30 regulations for the State Bond Commission; and

31 WHEREAS, Mary Keen distinguished herself by her competent and  
32 professional manner, earned the respect and admiration of all who  
33 worked with her, and always maintained the best interest of the  
34 State of Mississippi during her state government employment; and

35 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize  
36 and commend excellence and dedication to the State of Mississippi:

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI STATE  
38 SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we  
39 do hereby commend and congratulate Mary Keen upon her retirement  
40 as the State Bond Advisory Director.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
42 furnished to Mary Keen and made available to the Capitol Press  
43 Corps.