

By: Harvey, Jackson, Simmons, Walls

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 571
(As Adopted by House and Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING DR.
2 RAYGENE PAIGE FOR HER SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COOPERATIVE
3 EXTENSION SERVICE UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Raygene Paige, State Program Leader, Family and
5 Consumer Education, Mississippi State University Cooperative
6 Extension Service, is retiring after many years of dedicated
7 service; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Paige was selected as Black History Month
9 Educator in 1997 by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
10 Higher Learning; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Raygene Paige's commitment to service, tireless
12 work, and exemplary leadership has resulted in the Mississippi
13 State University Cooperative Extension Service functioning as a
14 multi-cultural organization; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Raygene Paige was the guiding light in the
16 development of programs which fostered understanding and
17 appreciation of diversity through education; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Raygene Paige has earned the respect of her
19 coworkers and her clientele of all races; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Raygene Paige was instrumental in molding the
21 Mississippi State University Cooperative Extension Service into an
22 integrated, mutually supportive and dedicated group of people who
23 understand and respect the differences and rights of others; and

24 WHEREAS, Dr. Raygene Paige's success can best be summarized
25 by the adage: "She practices what she preaches" and it is with
26 great pride that we recognize this educator whose dedication has

27 brought honor and respect to her university and to the State of
28 Mississippi:

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
30 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
31 we do hereby commend Dr. Raygene Paige for her contribution to the
32 Mississippi State University Cooperative Extension Service upon
33 the occasion of her retirement, and wish her and her family
34 continued success in her future endeavors.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
36 presented to Dr. Paige and be made available to the Capitol Press
37 Corps.