A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE FIRST SUNDAY OF 
OCTOBER AS "FAMILY DAY."

WHEREAS, the fabric of American society is built on the 
concept of a strong, central family unit; and

WHEREAS, families provide the essential framework for 
educational and religious training, establishing and enforcing 
moral values, companionship and society; and

WHEREAS, many ills in today's society can be directly 
attributed to the decline in a strong central family over the last 
several decades; and

WHEREAS, many days are set aside during the year to honor and 
celebrate various traditions and customs, including fathers, 
mothers, grandparents, bosses, secretaries, sweethearts and 
teachers; however, there is no specific day set aside to honor the 
family:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF 
MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That 
we do hereby recognize the first Sunday of October, beginning in 
the year 2000, and each year thereafter, as "Family Day" in the 
State of Mississippi and encourage civic organizations, churches 
and community leaders throughout the state to celebrate the 
importance of families on that day, with appropriate recognition 
and family-based activities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 
furnished to the Capitol Press Corps.