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To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 654

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THOMAS GRAYSON BROWN UPON  
2 BEING AWARDED A MEDAL OF VALOR FROM THE LAFAYETTE COUNTY LAW  
3 ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION.

4 WHEREAS, Thomas Grayson Brown, a former University of  
5 Mississippi student, has been awarded a Medal of Valor from the  
6 Lafayette County Law Enforcement Association for displaying  
7 courage in a dangerous situation the day his best friend was  
8 killed; and

9 WHEREAS, the Medal of Valor is the highest honor the  
10 Lafayette County Law Enforcement Officers Association can bestow  
11 and is awarded on those rare occasions when an individual displays  
12 exceptional courage in the face of significant danger; and

13 WHEREAS, Thomas Grayson Brown, who has transferred to a  
14 Colorado university, was able to provide authorities with the tag  
15 number and other information about the man who allegedly shot his  
16 friend, Devan Lowery, as they were fishing at Puskus Lake in June,  
17 1999; and

18 WHEREAS, Thomas Grayson Brown displayed the presence of mind  
19 and the courage to both go for medical assistance and secure a  
20 crucial tag number despite the intense trauma of his close  
21 friend's fatal injury and the very real threat that the driver of  
22 the vehicle might attempt to shoot him; and

23 WHEREAS, United States Marshal David Crews said that it is  
24 unusual for someone Brown's age to receive the high honor; and

25 WHEREAS, Thomas Grayson Brown, a native of Bay Springs,  
26 Mississippi, is currently studying abroad this semester and could

27 not attend a ceremony in his honor at Oxford; and

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29 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the heroic  
30 deed and quick response of such a courageous young man:

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
32 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
33 we do hereby commend Thomas Grayson Brown upon being awarded a  
34 Medal of Valor from the Lafayette County Law Enforcement Officers  
35 Association.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
37 presented to Thomas Grayson Brown and made available to the  
38 Capitol Press Corps.