

By: Williamson

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20  
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MISSISSIPPI'S 2000  
2 MISS HOSPITALITY, OLIVIA IRONS.

3 WHEREAS, Mississippi's 2000 Miss Hospitality, Olivia Irons,  
4 representing Philadelphia, Mississippi, is the 50th young woman in  
5 Mississippi's history to wear the Miss Hospitality crown; and

6 WHEREAS, she is a 1995 graduate of Neshoba Central High  
7 School where she was valedictorian and S.T.A.R. Student, Rotary  
8 Student of the Month, and recipient of the Neshoba County Youth  
9 Achievement Award; and

10 WHEREAS, Olivia has been involved in numerous community  
11 activities including Relay for Life, school nutrition education  
12 programs, and World Youth Federation's "Christmas for the Needy";  
13 she also served as a youth counselor for the Farm Bureau Safety  
14 Seminar as well as being chosen Miss Mississippi Farm Bureau and  
15 Miss Neshoba County; and

16 WHEREAS, while attending Mississippi State University on a  
17 full academic scholarship, Olivia was involved in many activities  
18 on campus; she served as Chairperson of National Nutrition Month,  
19 was a member of the Golden Key Society and Kappa Omicron Nu, and  
20 was chosen as a President's Scholar; and

21 WHEREAS, Olivia graduated Magna Cum Laude in December 1999,  
22 with a Bachelor's degree in Nutrition and Dietetics and is  
23 currently a graduate student at MSU, majoring in Exercise Science;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, Olivia's career goals include working as a  
26 Registered and Licensed Dietitian, specializing in Diabetic

27 Nutritional Management, Cardiac Rehabilitation, and Weight  
28 Control; and

29 WHEREAS, Mississippi's Miss Hospitality is a "Mississippi  
30 tradition," beginning in 1949 under Governor Fielding Wright and  
31 the Mississippi Legislature; and

32 WHEREAS, as Mississippi's Miss Hospitality, Olivia Irons will  
33 travel approximately 30,000 miles across the nation as an  
34 ambassador promoting the state's tourism and economic efforts; and

35 WHEREAS, it is the custom of the Senate to commend the  
36 meritorious accomplishments of the young people of this state:

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
38 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby take great pride in commending and  
39 congratulating Mississippi's 2000 Miss Hospitality, Olivia Irons,  
40 representing Philadelphia, Mississippi, and wish her success in  
41 her official duties and future endeavors.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be  
43 presented to Mississippi's Miss Hospitality and copies be made  
44 available to the Capitol Press Corps.