

By: Representative Fleming

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY AS
2 AFRICAN-AMERICAN ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH FOR THE STATE OF
3 MISSISSIPPI.

4 WHEREAS, asthma is the number one health cause for school
5 absences among African-Americans; and

6 WHEREAS, 12 to 15% of African-American children will have
7 asthma during childhood; and

8 WHEREAS, since 1987, the death rate of African-Americans
9 attributed to asthma is 40 times higher than whites; and

10 WHEREAS, African-American children visiting the emergency
11 room for asthma related illnesses on high pollution days increases
12 by 20% in most urban areas:

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
14 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
15 THEREIN, That we do hereby recognize the month of February as
16 African-American Asthma Awareness Month for the State of
17 Mississippi.

