A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING MR. ARCHIE TUCKER UPON
BEING SELECTED MISSISSIPPI'S 2000 PARENT OF THE YEAR.

WHEREAS, Mr. Archie Tucker, a resident of Leland,
Mississippi, has been selected as Mississippi's 2000 Parent of the
Year by an independent selection committee appointed by the State
Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tucker is actively involved at Leland High
School and Leland Middle School, where his children, Archie
Tucker, Jr., and Ashley Tucker are students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tucker has worked tirelessly to build a
collaborative partnership between the Leland School District and
the United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research
Service, where he serves as the Area Administrative Officer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tucker introduced the first STEP program to the
district, a four-year program targeted to build the leadership
capacity of more than 100 fifth through ninth grade science
teachers; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Mr. Tucker is responsible for assisting
students in developing skills that will help them in the business
and industry areas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tucker serves on a committee that reviews the
curriculum of the marketing class at the Leland Vocational
Technical Center; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by outstanding
parents such as Mr. Tucker, whose proven to be a true advocate for
children in the educational realm:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mr. Archie
Tucker upon being selected as Mississippi's 2000 Parent of the
Year and express our appreciation for the hard work and dedication
to improving the quality of education for the young people of the
Leland School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
furnished to Mr. Archie Tucker and to the members of the Capitol
Press Corps.