

By: Representatives Thomas, Capps,
Huddleston, Perkins, Whittington, Straughter,
Bailey, Cameron, Hines, Coleman (29th), Espy,
Barbour, Clarke, Ellis, Henderson, Reynolds

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 22

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING DR. BOBBY GARVIN AND CONGRATULATING
2 HIM UPON HIS RETIREMENT AS PRESIDENT OF MISSISSIPPI DELTA
3 COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

4 WHEREAS, after nine years of dedicated service, Dr. Bobby
5 Garvin retired as President of Mississippi Delta Community College
6 on March 1, 2001; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Garvin was born on January 4, 1941, in Meridian,
8 Mississippi, and graduated from Greenville High School in
9 Greenville, Mississippi, in 1959; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Garvin earned a bachelor's and master's degree
11 in education from Mississippi State University and his doctorate
12 degree in education from the University of Southern Mississippi;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Garvin began his career in education as a
15 classroom instructor in 1964 and has served in various
16 administrative positions, including Dean of Career Education at
17 Lake City Community College in Florida; Vice President for
18 Instructional Affairs at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College
19 in Perkinston, Mississippi; and Vice President of the Perkinston
20 Campus of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College; and

21 WHEREAS, during his tenure as President of Mississippi Delta
22 Community College, Dr. Garvin has increased enrollment from
23 approximately 1,800 students to over 2,700; and

24 WHEREAS, in addition, Dr. Garvin has overseen the expansion
25 of the campus, which includes a new science building, an addition
26 to the Allied Health complex for a dental hygiene program and
27 major renovations to several buildings at the Moorhead Campus; and

28 WHEREAS, Dr. Garvin was instrumental in bringing the MDCC Law
29 Enforcement Training Academy to the Delta; the establishment of
30 the Delta Center, a technical training center in Indianola; and
31 the Higher Education Center in Greenville, which MDCC shares with
32 Delta State University and Mississippi Valley State University;
33 and

34 WHEREAS, Dr. Garvin is a member of numerous professional
35 organizations, including the American Association of Community and
36 Junior Colleges, the National Alliance of Community and Technical
37 Colleges, the National Association of Student Personnel
38 Administrators, the National Council for Occupational Education,
39 the Mississippi Cooperative Education Association and many others;
40 and

41 WHEREAS, Dr. Garvin has been lovingly supported in all his
42 endeavors by his wife, Shirley; two daughters, Shirrie and Mary
43 Elizabeth; and two grandchildren; and

44 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of
45 the State of Mississippi to recognize and commend outstanding
46 leaders in education such as Dr. Garvin:

47 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
48 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
49 commend Dr. Bobby Garvin, congratulate him upon his retirement as
50 President of Mississippi Delta Community College and express our
51 heartiest wishes for success in all his future endeavors.

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
53 furnished to Dr. Bobby Garvin and to the members of the Capitol
54 Press Corps.