

By: Senator(s) Browning

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 594

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING SOUTH  
2 PONTOTOC ELEMENTARY TEACHER SHARON LONG UPON HER INDUCTION INTO  
3 THE MISSISSIPPI HALL OF MASTER TEACHERS AT MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY  
4 FOR WOMEN.

5 WHEREAS, Pontotoc, Mississippi, has outstanding teachers, as  
6 evidenced at the state level, where Sharon Long, first grade  
7 teacher at South Pontotoc Elementary School, was named to the  
8 Mississippi Hall of Master Teachers at Mississippi University for  
9 Women; and

10 WHEREAS, Sharon Long graduated from Mississippi State  
11 University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Special Education  
12 in 1973, and began her 26 years of teaching at South Pontotoc  
13 Attendance Center that fall; and

14 WHEREAS, she taught special education her first year at South  
15 Pontotoc Attendance Center, and has taught first grade since 1976  
16 at French Camp Elementary, and since 1979 at South Pontotoc  
17 Elementary, becoming a vital part of each school and serving with  
18 dedication and the highest level of educational professionalism;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Sharon said her goal in teaching is simple: "My  
21 goal each year is to have a child-centered, but not  
22 child-controlled, classroom," and the parents of her students have  
23 endorsed the perfect learning environment and friendly, supportive  
24 atmosphere of Mrs. Long's class; and

25 WHEREAS, Sharon's positions of leadership at South Pontotoc  
26 Elementary include serving as National Board Mentor for District

27 Teachers, Lead Teacher (K-Grade 1), Reading Sufficiency Committee,  
28 Grade Level Representative and Teaching Styles Research Team; and

29 WHEREAS, Sharon's induction into the Mississippi Hall of  
30 Master Teachers is a true testament to her devotion to the young  
31 people of Mississippi, her dedication to the teaching profession  
32 and to her students and their parents, and is an example for all  
33 beginning teachers in the State of Mississippi:

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
35 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
36 we do hereby commend and congratulate South Pontotoc Elementary  
37 First Grade Teacher Sharon C. Long upon her induction into the  
38 Mississippi Hall of Master Teachers at the Mississippi University  
39 for Women, and wish her continued success in her professional  
40 endeavors.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
42 Sharon Long and furnished to Pontotoc County Superintendent of  
43 Education, Jerry Horton, and be made available to the Capitol  
44 Press Corps.