SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE DEDICATED CHARITABLE SERVICE OF NEW DAY DRUG REHABILITATION MINISTRY IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry is a service of New Horizon Ministries, Inc. New Day was established in 1992 as a result of Pastor Ronnie C. Crudup's (New Horizon Church) desire to reach out to individuals who have succumbed to the abusive nature of alcohol and illicit drug addiction, and to assist them in becoming productive citizens; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this outreach effort, a relationship was formed between Pastor Ronnie C. Crudup and Larry D. Perry. Larry was addicted to alcohol and drugs for over 20 years, but was freed from his addiction after dedicating his life to Jesus Christ; after being discipled by Pastor Crudup, Larry accepted the call of God into the ministry as a substance abuse outreach minister, and was appointed as Director of New Day, where he has served for the past 9 years; Larry desires not only to minister to recovering drug addicts, but to help restore the addicted person and their families who have been affected by substance abuse and other related problems; currently, Larry serves as Deacon at New Horizon Church where he, his wife and children, are very actively involved in the ministry and outreach endeavors of the church; and

WHEREAS, New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry seeks to fulfill its aim by providing secondary and tertiary treatment in the following areas: Individual and group counseling; marriage and family counseling; weekly support group meetings; transitional housing; addiction prevention programs for youth; spousal support...
groups; job training and placement; financial management training; G.E.D. and adult continuing education; Bible study; peer accountability groups; family reunification opportunities; and

WHEREAS, New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry operates a Bible-based, holistic program that is relevant for men and women whether they are in need of primary, secondary or ongoing support services; and

WHEREAS, New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry operates under the guidance of an advisory committee that is composed of 15 men and women with personal concern and professional experience with drug and alcohol abuse; two full-time complex managers support Larry administratively. Vernon Taylor serves the men at the Grandview facility. Annette Patrick serves the women at the Olin Park facility. Moreover, many volunteers donate their time and professional services to aid in administrative and programmatic support; and

WHEREAS, New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry networks with other drug and alcohol treatment programs, churches, community groups, businesses and individuals to combat the illness of addiction. A training and mentoring program has been established to help equip individuals and groups set up similar programs in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the staff of New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry are to be commended for their dedicated public service to those in the community who have succumbed to the abusive nature of alcohol and illicit drugs and for assisting them in becoming productive citizens of the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the dedicated charitable service of New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry located in Jackson, Mississippi, and commend its staff and sponsor, New Horizon Church, and wish them continued success in this effective ministry.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to the director and staff of New Day Drug Rehabilitation Ministry and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.