By: Representatives Eads, Gadd, Grist, McBride, Reynolds

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 79

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MR. 1 TERRENCE METCALF FOR HIS OUTSTANDING FOOTBALL CAREER AT THE 2 UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI AND UPON BEING SELECTED AS A FIRST TEAM 3 4 ALL-AMERICAN FOR THE 2001 SEASON. 5 WHEREAS, in 1997, Mr. Terrence Metcalf, as a true freshman, began his Rebel football career in outstanding fashion by filling 6 big holes in the University of Mississippi offensive line, having 7 started all 12 games for the Rebels and finished the season being 8 9 selected as co-Offensive Player of the Year by the Rebel Club of 10 Jackson; and

11 WHEREAS, at the beginning of the 1998 University of 12 Mississippi football season, Metcalf was rated as one of the 13 nation's best offensive linemen and was looking to propel himself 14 to the top of that list until a third game season-ending injury 15 would prove to sideline him for the remainder of the 1998 16 campaign; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Metcalf's determination and perseverance allowed him to come back strong in 1999, when he became a dominant force in the trenches which resulted in the Rebels averaging over 180 yards rushing per game, second in the Southeastern Conference and gave Mr. Metcalf even more national attention by being named second team All-American; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Metcalf's leadership on the 2000 Rebel offensive 24 line, which allowed the fewest sacks in the Southeastern 25 Conference and third fewest in the entire nation, insured him a 26 first team spot on the All-Southeastern Conference Football Team 27 for 2000; and 28 WHEREAS, coming into his final season being rated the 29 nation's third best offensive lineman, Mr. Metcalf was presented 30 the J. Richard Price Courage and Compassion Award by his coaches 31 for demonstrating extraordinary courage and compassion to his 32 teammates and to the University of Mississippi; and

33 WHEREAS, being recognized in 2001 as one of the nation's most 34 intimidating offensive linemen Mr. Metcalf lived up to his 35 reputation, allowing just one sack in 11 games and anchoring an 36 offensive line that allowed the fewest sacks in the entire 37 Southeastern Conference; and

38 WHEREAS, Mr. Metcalf ended his college career much the way he 39 began it, with excellence, as he was named the Southeastern 40 Conference Most Valuable Lineman and was selected as a member of 41 the first team All-Southeastern Conference; and

42 WHEREAS, Mr. Metcalf received further national attention for 43 being selected as a first team All-American and earned the 44 privilege of playing in the 2002 Senior Bowl; and

45 WHEREAS, exemplifying sportsmanship, dedication and 46 excellence, Mr. Metcalf, with his God-given abilities, will be 47 given the opportunity to continue his football career in the 48 National Football League, where he will be a beacon of light and 49 hope for all of Mississippi; and

50 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds it most appropriate to 51 recognize unique individuals whose work ethic and devotion can be 52 a model for all Mississippians:

53 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF 54 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING 55 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mr. Terrence 56 Metcalf for his outstanding college football career and on being 57 named to the 2001 All-American Team and extend to him our 58 heartiest wishes for success in all his future endeavors.

H. C. R. No. 79 02/HR03/R1596 PAGE 2 (DJ\LH) 59 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 60 furnished to Mr. Terrence Metcalf, the University of Mississippi 61 and the Capitol Press Corps.