

By: Representatives Ellis, Perkins

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 108

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
2 SHAUNTAY HINTON OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, ON BEING NAMED MISS
3 USA 2002.

4 WHEREAS, Shauntay Hinton, daughter of Ms. Ella Hinton of
5 Starkville, Mississippi, was crowned Miss USA 2002 on March 1,
6 2002, before an enthusiastic audience at the 51st Miss USA Pageant
7 competition held in Gary, Indiana; and

8 WHEREAS, very active and outgoing in her high school years,
9 Ms. Hinton, a 1997 graduate of Starkville High School, named
10 Homecoming Queen and Miss Yellow Jacket by her fellow students and
11 was a member of the varsity cheerleading team, Student Government
12 Association and Drama Club; and

13 WHEREAS, upon graduating from Starkville High, Ms. Hinton
14 enrolled at Howard University where she is majoring in Broadcast
15 Communications, aspiring to become a network television
16 anchorwoman and successful entrepreneur; and

17 WHEREAS, at age 23, Ms. Hinton credits her grandmother, who
18 went back to college in her late 60's and received a degree in
19 elementary education, as being her biggest inspirational force;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, representing the District of Columbia when crowned
22 Miss USA, Ms. Hinton will serve a year as a representative of the
23 Miss Universe Organization, traveling the world, meeting heads of
24 state and dignitaries, participating in official charity and
25 social events, making television appearances and speaking to
26 groups, large and small, on various topics, which experiences will



27 provide her the education and values necessary to fulfill her
28 career goals; and

29 WHEREAS, Ms. Hinton plans to spend her reign building
30 awareness for breast and ovarian cancer, Miss USA's official
31 cause; and

32 WHEREAS, having worked with groups like the Fannie Mae
33 Foundation's "Help the Homeless Walkathon" and Miriam's Kitchen,
34 Ms. Hinton also avows to promote the issues and causes associated
35 with homelessness; and

36 WHEREAS, in May, the United States will be proudly
37 represented by Ms. Hinton in the Miss Universe Competition; and

38 WHEREAS, Ms. Hinton finds strength and stability in the love,
39 support and encouragement of those most dear to her heart, the
40 members of her family: mother, Ella; brother, Soloman; sister,
41 Ken; and her pet turtle, "Tyrone"; and

42 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
43 and commend excellence, as evidenced by this beautiful and
44 talented young lady Mississippi is proud to call her own, Ms.
45 Shauntay Hinton:

46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
47 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
48 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Ms. Shauntay
49 Hinton of Starkville, Mississippi, upon being crowned Miss USA
50 2002, and extend to her our heartiest wishes for success in the
51 Miss Universe Competition and in all her future endeavors.

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
53 furnished to Ms. Shauntay Hinton and the members of the Capitol
54 Press Corps.

