

By: Representative Maples

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING JOHN DARWIN "TIGER" MAPLES ON
2 RECEIVING THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD.

3 WHEREAS, John Darwin "Tiger" Maples of Perkinston,
4 Mississippi, attained the rank of Eagle Scout on November 14,
5 2001; and

6 WHEREAS, the son of Stephen and Cindy Maples, John Darwin is
7 a member of Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Troop 25 of Lucedale,
8 Mississippi, where he has held leadership positions as Senior
9 Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader and Quartermaster; and

10 WHEREAS, John Darwin has been a Boy Scout Camp Tiak
11 participant for four years, earning required Merit Badges for
12 completing the mile swim for three consecutive years and
13 completing the requirements for BSA lifeguard; and

14 WHEREAS, in addition to earning these merits, John Darwin was
15 also a 2001 participant at Fort A. P. Hill, Virginia, at the
16 National Scout Jamboree; and

17 WHEREAS, John Darwin's Eagle Scout project consisted of
18 planning, working and raising the funds necessary to build an
19 outside classroom deck for the students at Benndale Elementary
20 School in George County, Mississippi; and

21 WHEREAS, in conjunction with his scout tasks, John Darwin has
22 excelled and maintained creditable academic standing, as
23 exemplified by the many honors and awards he has received such as
24 honor roll, the Algebra Award, the Citizenship Award and the
25 President's Student Service Award for Outstanding Community
26 Service; and



27 WHEREAS, John Darwin also balances a healthy extracurricular
28 schedule, including being a member of the student council,
29 football and soccer teams; and

30 WHEREAS, a freshman at George County High School, John Darwin
31 resides on Tiger Branch, the family farm, with his parents and
32 younger brother, Sam, who is also a Boy Scout; and

33 WHEREAS, John Darwin, a member of Pine Grove United Methodist
34 Church, enjoys the leisurely activities of hunting, swimming and
35 working on the family farm; and

36 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of
37 the State of Mississippi to recognize and commend excellence,
38 especially when evidenced by the young people of our state, who
39 are its future:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
41 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
42 commend and congratulate John Darwin "Tiger" Maples on receiving
43 the Eagle Scout Award and wish to express our heartiest wishes for
44 success in all his future endeavors.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
46 furnished to John Darwin "Tiger" Maples and to the members of the
47 Capitol Press Corps.

