

By: Representative Ward

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE 2001 PINE GROVE HIGH SCHOOL
2 FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA (FFA) TEAMS ON WINNING THE STATE
3 CHAMPIONSHIP.

4 WHEREAS, Pine Grove High School, home to an outstanding
5 chapter of the Future Farmers of America (FFA), was well
6 represented by 11 teams at the 2001 State Contest held in
7 Starkville, Mississippi; and

8 WHEREAS, of the 11 Pine Grove FFA competing teams, five
9 faired exceptionally well and departed the competition as state
10 champions, bringing great honor to Pine Grove High School; and

11 WHEREAS, in the Senior Prepared Public Speaker Division of
12 Competition, Crystal Palmer's refined skills in the research,
13 preparation and writing, of a speech she eloquently presented and
14 defended led to her capture of the state title; and

15 WHEREAS, applying their skills in FFA opening and closing
16 procedures, officer conduct, speaking abilities and official FFA
17 regulations, the Pine Grove Junior Opening and Closing Ceremonies
18 Team, comprised of members Keith Bryant, Brittney Newby, LaShundra
19 Bonds, Amy Hatcher, Anna Palmer, Tyler Pannell and Ashley
20 Wilkerson, was successful in winning that division's state
21 championship; and

22 WHEREAS, the State Championship for Agriculture Mechanics was
23 claimed by the Pine Grove Team of Kyle Jumper, Philip Clemmer,
24 Jared Chapman and Corey Hargett; and

25 WHEREAS, in addition, Kyle Jumper posted the overall high
26 individual score for the second consecutive year in the
27 Agriculture Mechanics Division; and



28 WHEREAS, by exhibiting their proficiency in the areas of
29 Halter Horse Evaluation Hunter Under Saddle Evaluation and Western
30 Pleasure Evaluation, the Pine Grove FFA Junior Horse Judging Team,
31 which consists of members LaShundra Bonds, Amy Hatcher, Brittney
32 Newby and Brandon Vuncannon, also won the state championship; and

33 WHEREAS, the Junior Horse Judging Team, in its quest to
34 become champions, compiled a composite team score of 430 out of a
35 possible 450 points, outscoring nine other teams; and

36 WHEREAS, in the category of Dairy Judging, the State
37 Championship was won by the Pine Grove Team of Cole Childs, Jade
38 Jumper, Justin Mauney, Kaysie Morrison, Jenna Newby and Crystal
39 Palmer after they broke a 982-point tie with Vardaman FFA by
40 earning 43 points in oral reasoning scores; and

41 WHEREAS, in the Dairy Judging category, Justin Mauney claimed
42 the overall High Individual score in the state; and

43 WHEREAS, the Pine Grove teams of Senior Prepared Public
44 Speaker, Agriculture Mechanics and Dairy Judging gained further
45 recognition by competing in the FFA Nationals held in Louisville,
46 Kentucky, in November 2001; and

47 WHEREAS, the Pine Grove High School FFA Team has been
48 superbly coached and inspired by faculty advisor John-Grady
49 Taylor; and

50 WHEREAS, a winning and cooperative spirit and a high degree
51 of skill and knowledge have been developed by the Pine Grove FFA
52 Team, and their activities and attitude reflect great credit upon
53 the individual members and their advisor and bring much honor to
54 Pine Grove High School; and

55 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of
56 the State of Mississippi to recognize and commend excellence,
57 especially when evidenced by the youth of our state, who are its
58 future:

59 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
60 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby



61 commend and congratulate the Pine Grove High School FFA Team and
62 their advisor, John-Grady Taylor, for their outstanding
63 accomplishments in 2001, for winning five Future Farmers of
64 America State Championships and for displaying tireless devotion
65 to their academic endeavors.

66 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
67 furnished to Pine Grove High School, Advisor John-Grady Taylor and
68 members of the Capitol Press Corps.

