By: Senator(s) Dearing, Johnson (38th), Harden

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 539

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING 1 SUPERVISOR DARRYL V. GRENNELL OF ADAMS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THE 2 BLUFF CITY POST "MAN OF THE YEAR." 3 WHEREAS, Supervisor of District 4 in Adams County, Darryl V. 4 Grennell has been selected by the Bluff City Post as the 2001 Man 5 of the Year; and 6 WHEREAS, he is a native of Natchez, the son of Jonathan and 7 8 Renza Grennell; and WHEREAS, he is a 1983 graduate of the Natchez Adams School 9 District. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree from 10 Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi and received his Master of 11 Science Degree in Secondary Education from Alcorn State University 12 13 in 1990, and is furthering his studies at the University of Southern Mississippi in the area of Microbiology; and 14 WHEREAS, he is one of the most eligible bachelors in the 15 State of Mississippi; and 16 WHEREAS, Darryl is known throughout Adams County for his hard 17 work for all of the citizens of this county. He is a unique 18 politician who will stop and listen to anyone from any district 19 who has a problem with county government, whether he can solve it 20 21 or not, he takes the time to give attention to it; and WHEREAS, he makes it a point to open up avenues which have 22 not been open before to the citizens of his county; and 23 WHEREAS, several years ago, he found out that area churches 24 could receive a \$2,000.00 grant for summer programs and many 25 26 church secretaries and ministers found application blanks in their 27 mailboxes, and this has brought great progress for the churches

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28 and it has given them a chance to extend their reach into the 29 community; and

30 WHEREAS, Supervisor Grennell is always delighted when the 31 community asks him to come before an audience to explain the 32 workings of county government; and

33 WHEREAS, to further explain what is going on in county 34 government, city government, and in state government, Supervisor 35 Grennell has a Sunday evening talk show on WTYJ 97.7 FM and 1240 36 AM radio; and

37 WHEREAS, not only is Supervisor Grennell a political leader, 38 he also serves on the faculty at Alcorn State University in the 39 Department of Biological Sciences; and

WHEREAS, one of the many things that Darryl brought to the public's attention was the old forgotten graveyard on the grounds of Clarmount Baptist Church on Cemetery Road, which houses the resting place of black Union Civil War soldiers, and there is now an effort underway to see what can be done about getting that cemetery cleaned up and finding the Union Civil War graves that are located there; and

WHEREAS, in his role as a strong community and political 47 leader, Grennell has worked with all politicians and has not put 48 49 himself into the position that he is taken for granted by any politician or that he may be taken for granted for a favor; and 50 WHEREAS, Grennell comes from a family with a strong public 51 52 service background. His father worked for Johns-Manville for many years but was also a businessman. His mother, while still 53 54 teaching became a member of the Board of Trustees of Natchez Regional Medical Center and became its first female Board 55 Chairman. His Aunt Joyce, also an elementary school principal for 56 57 many years, is also a Supervisor of Education for the Adams County School District. His first cousin Robert Johnson, a lawyer, is 58 59 also a State Senator representing Adams and other counties; and

S. C. R. No. 539 02/SS06/R936 PAGE 2 60 WHEREAS, for his many endeavors, Darryl Grennell is making 61 Adams County a better place for all citizens to live, work and 62 raise their families; and

63 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the civic 64 devotion of Supervisor Darryl Grennell who brings honor to his 65 community and to his state:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
we do hereby commend and congratulate Supervisor Darryl V.
Grennell of Adams County, Mississippi, upon being selected the
Bluff City Post "2001 Man of the Year" and we wish him continued
success in his civic, charitable and other endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to Darryl Grennell and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.