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

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 539

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

- 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
- 40 WHEREAS, one of the many things that Darryl brought to the
- 41 public's attention was the old forgotten graveyard on the grounds
- 42 of Clarmount Baptist Church on Cemetery Road, which houses the
- 43 resting place of black Union Civil War soldiers, and there is now
- 44 an effort underway to see what can be done about getting that
- 45 cemetery cleaned up and finding the Union Civil War graves that
- 46 are located there; and
- WHEREAS, in his role as a strong community and political
- 48 leader, Grennell has worked with all politicians and has not put
- 49 himself into the position that he is taken for granted by any
- 50 politician or that he may be taken for granted for a favor; and
- 51 WHEREAS, Grennell comes from a family with a strong public
- 52 service background. His father worked for Johns-Manville for many
- 53 years but was also a businessman. His mother, while still
- 54 teaching became a member of the Board of Trustees of Natchez
- 55 Regional Medical Center and became its first female Board
- 56 Chairman. His Aunt Joyce, also an elementary school principal for
- 57 many years, is also a Supervisor of Education for the Adams County
- 58 School District. His first cousin Robert Johnson, a lawyer, is
- 59 also a State Senator representing Adams and other counties; and

- 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
- 67 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
- 68 we do hereby commend and congratulate Supervisor Darryl V.
- 69 Grennell of Adams County, Mississippi, upon being selected the
- 70 Bluff City Post "2001 Man of the Year" and we wish him continued
- 71 success in his civic, charitable and other endeavors.
- 72 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
- 73 presented to Darryl Grennell and be made available to the Capitol
- 74 Press Corps.