

By: Senator(s) Hamilton, Turner

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 553

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING DR.  
2 JANET HENDERSON UPON THE OCCASION OF BEING NAMED THE SOUTHERN  
3 ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS 2001 DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Henderson has been honored by the Southern  
5 Association of Colleges and Schools as the "2001 Distinguished  
6 Educator"; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Janet Henderson currently serves as Assistant  
8 Superintendent of Education for Curriculum and Instruction in the  
9 Starkville School District; and

10 WHEREAS, the former teacher and Overstreet Elementary  
11 Principal, Dr. Henderson now serves as the assistant  
12 superintendent for curriculum and instructions for the school  
13 district, as chairperson of the Southern Association of Colleges  
14 and Schools Mississippi Elementary Committee and on the SACS  
15 Executive Council and Standards Committee; and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Henderson has over 32 years of involvement with  
17 this accreditation organization which has continued to raise the  
18 bar in educational standards throughout the Southeastern United  
19 States. The current school improvement process required for SACS  
20 accreditation represents the best of current research in  
21 education; and

22 WHEREAS, during her tenure as Principal at Overstreet School,  
23 the school was named Best of State in "Redbook" magazine's  
24 America's Best Project; and

25 WHEREAS, she has been recognized by the Starkville Chamber of  
26 Commerce in the Education Hall of Fame, named a Mississippi  
27 Administrator of the Year finalist and has served as President of



28 the Mississippi Association of School Administrators and the  
29 Mississippi State University Phi Delta Kappa Chapter, where she  
30 earned her bachelor of science, master's and doctorate degree; and

31 WHEREAS, serving as a facilitator for school improvement in  
32 several school districts, Dr. Henderson has also participated in  
33 several self-studies, implemented a district's kindergarten  
34 program, has aided in the merger of two elementary schools and  
35 implemented the school renewal process; and

36 WHEREAS, she has brought honor to her school district, her  
37 community and to the State of Mississippi, and it is the policy of  
38 this Legislature to recognize excellence and achievement of the  
39 citizens of this state, especially when exhibited by those who  
40 work with our young people, who are our future:

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
42 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
43 we do hereby commend and congratulate Dr. Janet Henderson as the  
44 recipient of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools 2001  
45 Distinguished Educator Award, and wish her continued success in  
46 her future professional and academic endeavors.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
48 Dr. Henderson and her family, be forwarded to Dr. Larry Box,  
49 Superintendent of the Starkville School District, and be made  
50 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

