

By: Senator(s) Tollison

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 39

1 A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING SHEELA BHAGAT, ASSOCIATE
2 PROFESSOR AT RUST COLLEGE, FOR HER SPECIAL RECOGNITION DURING THE
3 15TH ANNUAL HIGHER EDUCATION APPRECIATION DAY--WORKING FOR
4 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (H.E.A.D.W.A.E.) PROGRAM.

5 WHEREAS, seventy-six outstanding students and faculty members
6 from thirty-eight Mississippi public and private universities and
7 colleges received special recognition from the Mississippi
8 Legislature on Tuesday, February 19, 2002, during the 15th Annual
9 Higher Education Appreciation Day--Working for Academic Excellence
10 (H.E.A.D.W.A.E.) Program; and

11 WHEREAS, the H.E.A.D.W.A.E. observance was established in
12 1988 by legislative resolution to honor individual academic
13 achievement and the overall contribution of the state's public and
14 private institutions of higher learning, and is supported by the
15 state's corporate community; and

16 WHEREAS, faculty honoree representing Rust College at this
17 program was Sheela Bhagat of Oxford, Mississippi, who is an
18 Associate Professor with the Business Division; and

19 WHEREAS, her impressive resume is as follows:

20 Years service at institution: 21 total years of service;

21 23 academic credentials:

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Year</u>
BBA	Accounting	University of Mississippi	1968
ML.S.	Library Science	University of Mississippi	1971
M.A.	Accounting/Finance	University of Missouri, Columbia	1973

27 Publications/honors/awards: "Materials on India in the
28 Dwight D. Eisenhower Library," *The India Archives*, 1-14 New Delhi.



29 India "Accountanese" Dimension I, Fall 1987, Rust College, Holly
30 Springs;

31 Professional affiliations/offices held: American Accounting
32 Association, Southeast Region; AAAS.W.F.A.D. Finance Association;
33 Beta Alpha Psi;

34 Civic Activities: Helping community with federal and state
35 income tax forms; collecting funds for March of Dimes and Diabetes
36 in the Oxford area;

37 Family: Husband, Dr. G. Bhagat; Daughter, Rekha Hagen; and

38 WHEREAS, the superior quality of education instruction at
39 Rust College and our other public and private colleges and
40 universities has permitted Mississippi to successfully attract and
41 retain some of the brightest and most academically talented
42 students in the state and nation; and

43 WHEREAS, the Senate of the State of Mississippi believes that
44 it is most appropriate to pay special tribute to and bring
45 deserved recognition and attention to those educational
46 instructors of our state's universities and colleges who exemplify
47 exceptional instructional skills, demonstrating that a quality
48 education can be found within the borders of our state, and it is
49 with great pride that we recognize the accomplishments of this
50 outstanding instructor who has brought honor to her community, her
51 college and to the State of Mississippi:

52 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
53 MISSISSIPPI, That we hereby congratulate Sheela Bhagat, of Oxford,
54 Mississippi, an Associate Professor at Rust College, for her
55 special recognition at the 15th Annual Higher Education
56 Appreciation Day--Working for Academic Excellence, as most
57 representative of the finest traditions in outstanding academic
58 instructional skills, and wish her continued success in her future
59 career endeavors.

60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
61 presented to Sheela Bhagat and her family, be forwarded to the



62 President of Rust College and be made available to the Capitol
63 Press Corps.

