To: Rules

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION 2002

By: Senator(s) Chaney, King, Little, Dawkins, Hamilton, Scoper, Chamberlin, Furniss, Michel, Robertson, Turner, Browning, Moffatt, Harvey, Walls, Williamson, Thames, Farris, Jordan, Bryan, Frazier, Gordon, White (5th), Gollott, Mettetal, Hyde-Smith, Jackson, Smith, Burton, Carmichael, Tollison, Dearing, White (29th), Posey, Stogner, Cuevas, Lee

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 76

A RESOLUTION TO COMMEND PEARL LOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL TARA KIRBY UPON BEING NAMED THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR.

WHEREAS, Pearl Lower Elementary Principal Tara Kirby has been named the school district's Administrator of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Kirby's nomination will be submitted to the State Department of Education for statewide competition; and

WHEREAS, a native of Pearl, Mississippi, Kirby is in her third year as an Administrator at the school; and

WHEREAS, Miss Kirby served one year as an Assistant Principal and also taught in the classroom for five years; and

WHEREAS, Pearl Lower Elementary School has a 600-member student body, consisting of students in Kindergarten and First Grade; and

WHEREAS, Principal Kirby is very much in tune with her students and staff, always giving the personal touch in her dealings with the school community; and

WHEREAS, one part of her outreach and inclusive management style was to institute the use of the Waterford Early Reading Program to help Spanish-speaking parents of her students learn English, allowing use of school computers as part of that program; and

WHEREAS, Pearl Superintendent Stanley Miller has said, "I couldn't be more pleased with Miss Kirby's work as Principal; she's innovative in her approach, relates well with the children and is always fair with staff and parents. We're all proud of..."
Miss Kirby and look forward to her participation in state
competition. She will represent us well"; and

WHEREAS, Miss Kirby is an extremely professional principal
who is compassionate and hard working; and

WHEREAS, she is a principal who is loved by the students at
her school; and

WHEREAS, one of her major strengths as an administrator is
her ability to convey her vision of where the school needs to be
and how she plans to move the school community toward those goals;
and

WHEREAS, Tara Kirby is the daughter of Dean and Jean Kirby of
Pearl. She has an undergraduate degree in elementary education
and a Master's Degree in school administration, both from
Mississippi College; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
and commend outstanding achievement by the citizens of this state,
especially those whose work benefits the youth of this state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby recognize and commend Tara Kirby
upon the occasion of her being named the Pearl School District
Administrator of the Year and wish her success in all her future
endeavors.

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