

By: Senator(s) Gordon, Carmichael, Dearing,  
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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 79

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MSU BULLDOG BASKETBALL PLAYER, MARIO  
2 AUSTIN, FOR BEING SELECTED AS THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER OF THE SEC  
3 TOURNAMENT AND FOR HAVING AN OUTSTANDING SEASON.

4 WHEREAS, MSU Bulldog basketball player, Mario Austin, was  
5 selected as the Most Valuable Player of the SEC Tournament; and

6 WHEREAS, in addition to being selected the Most Valuable  
7 Player, Mario was a second-team All-SEC selection and a two-time  
8 SEC Player of the Week honoree for the Bulldogs; and

9 WHEREAS, Mario Austin led the 2001-2002 Bulldogs in scoring  
10 and rebounding and was ranked second in the conference in  
11 field-goal percentage; and

12 WHEREAS, Mario Austin was also named to the United States  
13 Basketball Writers Association All-District IV Team and was  
14 selected to the All-Tournament Team in the 2001 Las Vegas Classic;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Mario Austin's determined and aggressive style of  
17 play was instrumental in leading the Bulldogs to one of the most  
18 successful seasons in school history; and

19 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Legislature to recognize and  
20 commend the noteworthy accomplishments of the student athletes of  
21 the State of Mississippi:

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
23 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend MSU Bulldog, Mario Austin,  
24 for being selected as the Most Valuable Player in the SEC  
25 Tournament and for having an outstanding season, and we wish him  
26 continued success in his endeavors.



27           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be  
28 presented to Mario Austin and forwarded to the Mississippi State  
29 University Athletic Department.

