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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 6

1 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER AS HEALTHY AGING MONTH.

2 WHEREAS, the Healthy Aging Campaign has designated September
3 as "Healthy Aging Month"; and

4 WHEREAS, the Healthy Aging Campaign is a national ongoing
5 health promotion designed to promote the positive aspects of aging
6 and to provide information and inspiration for adults, age 50 or
7 older, to improve their physical, mental, social and financial
8 fitness; and

9 WHEREAS, a majority of the members of the Mississippi State
10 Senate are also members of the demographic group, age 50 or older,
11 served by the Healthy Aging Campaign; and

12 WHEREAS, many Mississippi citizens are also members of the
13 group, 27% age 50 or older, with 12% of our state's population age
14 65 or older; and

15 WHEREAS, Mississippi's Center for Policy Research and
16 Planning predicts that our state will, in the next 15 years, see
17 age composition shift to an older age structure, with a higher
18 proportion of older people and a higher median age; and

19 WHEREAS, recognizing that caring for greater numbers of an
20 aging populace may greatly increase future health care costs, the
21 Mississippi Senate shall plan and encourage wellness among older
22 adults by participating in the Healthy Aging Campaign; and

23 WHEREAS, by planning and encouraging wellness and fitness
24 among older adults, it is the intent of the members of the
25 Mississippi Senate to reduce and minimize future health care costs
26 for citizens of all ages; and



27 WHEREAS, the Healthy Aging Campaign is part of a pilot
28 project designed to improve nutrition and physical activity in
29 older adults:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
31 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby designate/acknowledge September as
32 Health Aging Month.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution shall
34 be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

