To: Rules

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Chaney, Frazier, White (29th), Johnson (19th), Scoper, Michel, Harden, Nunnelee, Burton, Ross, Stogner, Harvey, Dearing, Canon, Hyde-Smith, Carmichael

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 15

1	A RESOLU	JTION (	CONGRAT	'ULATING	AND	COMMEN	DING THE	JAC	KSON
2	SENATORS BASE	EBALL 1	TEAM FO	R THEIR	EXEM	IPLARY :	PERFORMAN	1CE	AND
3	ACHIEVEMENTS	THIS Y	YEAR, B	OTH ON	AND C	FF THE	FIELD.		

- 4 WHEREAS, the Jackson Senators Baseball Team was welcomed to
- 5 Smith-Wills Stadium in the early Spring of 2002, returning quality
- 6 professional baseball to the City of Jackson after a one-year
- 7 hiatus; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the Senators began the season in mid-May with only a
- 9 couple of weeks of Spring training to prepare them for a 96-game
- 10 schedule in the Central Baseball League (CBL), comprised of teams
- 11 from Louisiana, Texas, Missouri and the Magnolia State; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Senators remarkably finished the regular season
- 13 and went on to capture the Eastern Division Championship in this
- 14 their first year of existence; and
- 15 WHEREAS, with excellent support from the City of Jackson, as
- 16 well as surrounding communities, the Senators enjoyed outstanding
- 17 attendance, averaging nearly 1,800 fans per game and providing a
- 18 significant boost to the local economy; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the Jackson Senators achieved championship runner-up
- 20 status in the CBL battling the San Angelo, Texas, Colts to a fifth
- 21 and final game in the League Championship Series before losing the
- 22 title by one unearned run; and
- 23 WHEREAS, the Senators have captured the hearts of thousands
- 24 of baseball fans in the Central Mississippi area by providing an
- 25 outstanding venue of clean family entertainment and quality
- 26 baseball performance at reasonable cost; and

27	WHEREAS, the team has taken its name from the excellent						
28	Jackson "Senators" Team of the 1940s and 1950s which was a very						
29	popular mid-Mississippi team playing on the Mississippi State						
30	Fairgrounds, and we are proud that the Senators' logo and mascot						
31	is the Eagle representing the Seal of the State of Mississippi						
32	which flies on top of the New Capitol Building:						
33	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF						
34	MISSISSIPPI, That we, the members of the State Senate, do hereby						
35	congratulate and commend the Jackson Senators Team Members, Field						
36	Manager, General Manager, Support Staff and Club Owners for their						
37	exemplary performance and achievements this year, both on and off						
38	the field, and furthermore, that we wish them growing support and						
39	success in the seasons to come.						
40	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be						
41	presented to the Jackson Senators Team Members, Field Manager and						
42	General Manager, and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.						