By: Representatives Cameron, Bailey, Capps, Espy, Hines, Straughter

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 44

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- 2 AZAR FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTRY
- 3 MUSIC INDUSTRY AND THE MISSISSIPPI DELTA.
- 4 WHEREAS, Steve Azar, native Mississippian and renowned
- 5 Country Music artist, has profoundly influenced the nation with
- 6 his music, relaying tales of the Mississippi River and Mississippi
- 7 Delta; and
- 8 WHEREAS, having traveled the nation abroad throughout his
- 9 career, Mr. Azar represented Mississippi at the 1984 World's Fair
- 10 as "The Future of Country Music"; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Azar, in efforts to promote the wealth and
- 12 talent of the Mississippi Delta, created an audio program for
- 13 Delta Airlines entitled Delta Country: Summer On The Mississippi
- 14 Delta, showcasing the talents of such Mississippi legends as Elvis
- 15 Presley, Conway Twitty and B.B. King; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in collaboration with Great American Country and
- 17 CMT.com, Mr. Azar has sponsored two national television
- 18 sweepstakes, which allowed winners to experience the sights,
- 19 sounds, culture and taste of the Mississippi Delta; and
- 20 WHEREAS, his latest album entitled "Waitin' On Joe" is a
- 21 compilation of songs filled with the inspiration, soul and
- 22 influence of Mississippi; and
- 23 WHEREAS, in recognition to Mississippi and those who have
- 24 helped make his musical dream a true musical reality, Mr. Azar
- 25 produced the video to his new album featuring native Mississippian
- 26 Morgan Freeman in the Mississippi Delta, in order to capture the
- 27 soul of the state and to incorporate his friends and family; and

- 28 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Legislature of the State of
- 29 Mississippi to recognize and commend outstanding Mississippians
- 30 such as Mr. Steve Azar, whose accomplishments in the Country Music
- 31 industry have brought great pride and distinction to the citizens
- 32 of Mississippi:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
- 34 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
- 35 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mr. Steve Azar
- 36 for his musical accomplishments and contributions to the Country
- 37 Music industry and promotion of the Mississippi Delta.
- 38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
- 39 furnished to Mr. Steve Azar, Mercury Records and members of the
- 40 Capitol Press Corps.

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