

By: Representative Denny

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND WORKS OF
2 NIKKI QUARLES AND EXPRESSING SYMPATHY UPON HER PASSING.

3 WHEREAS, Nikki Quarles, a reading teacher for fifth and sixth
4 graders at St. Richard Catholic School, departed this life at the
5 age of 26 on January 25, 2003, causing a great loss to her
6 students, friends and family; and

7 WHEREAS, an enthusiast for reading and literature, Ms.
8 Quarles began her quest to share her passion for reading and
9 literature by working in the day care at First Baptist Church in
10 Ridgeland, Mississippi, during her summer breaks from college; and

11 WHEREAS, after working with children during her summer
12 breaks, Ms. Quarles graduated from her beloved alma mater,
13 Mississippi State University, in 1999; and

14 WHEREAS, after graduating from Mississippi State University,
15 Nikki Quarles was immediately hired to teach at St. Richard
16 Catholic School where she could fulfill her calling from God to
17 work in Catholic education; and

18 WHEREAS, as a teacher, Ms. Quarles not only taught reading to
19 her students, she was also concerned about her students' personal
20 lives and made sure that all of her students knew that she loved
21 them; and

22 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Legislature to pay tribute
23 to an exemplary young Mississippian, such as Ms. Nikki Quarles,
24 who dedicated her life to the betterment of young people through
25 instilling a love for reading and showing sincere concern for
26 them:



27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
28 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
29 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the life and works of Ms. Nikki
30 Quarles and express our deepest sympathy to her family.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
32 furnished to the family of Nikki Quarles and to the Capitol Press
33 Corps.

