

By: Representative Ellington

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 112

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT THE
2 DEPLOYMENT OF A NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM.

3 WHEREAS, the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty was
4 signed with a nation that no longer exists; and

5 WHEREAS, an increasing number of nations, including North
6 Korea either currently possess the capability to launch missile
7 attacks against the United States or are working to obtain that
8 capability; and

9 WHEREAS, due in part to advances in technology, the
10 possibility that a missile bearing a weapon of mass destruction
11 will be used against United States forces or interests is higher
12 today than it was during most of the Cold War; and

13 WHEREAS, terrorist groups, not just states, may have the
14 means to buy intercontinental ballistic missiles; and

15 WHEREAS, the Cold War policy of "mutual assured destruction"
16 assumed in arms control treaties is not sufficient to deter
17 terrorist missile attacks; and

18 WHEREAS, defending against a missile attack is the
19 government's moral obligation:

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
21 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
22 THEREIN, That we do urge Congress to support and vote in favor of
23 all efforts to build and deploy a national missile defense system
24 as soon as possible.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
26 furnished to the Mississippi Congressional Delegation and to



27 Mississippi Senators Trent Lott and Thad Cochran and to the
28 members of the Capitol Press Corps.

