

By: Representative Zuber

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 115

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING DR. JOHN WILLIAM GUYTON,
2 III, UPON BEING NAMED MISSISSIPPI PROJECT LEARNING TREE'S 2003
3 EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. John William Guyton, III, a native of
5 Starkville, Mississippi, was named Mississippi Project Learning
6 Tree's 2003 Educator of the Year; and

7 WHEREAS, Project Learning Tree is a world-wide environmental
8 education network sponsored internationally by the American Forest
9 Foundation and the Mississippi PLT is sponsored by the Mississippi
10 Forestry Commission, Mississippi Forestry Association and the
11 U.S.D.A. Forest Service National Forest in Mississippi; and

12 WHEREAS, the Educator of the Year Award is awarded by the PLT
13 advisory board from nominations solicited from Mississippi's
14 PLT/Environmental Education Community; and

15 WHEREAS, as the honoree of this state award, Dr. Guyton
16 competed on an international level and was one of five
17 international winners selected; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Guyton attended the Golden Triangle Vocational
19 Technical Center and received certificates in Electricity I and
20 II, Welding and Refrigeration I and II from vocational school; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Guyton furthered his education at Mississippi
22 State University, where he received his bachelor's degree in 1976,
23 his master's of education in 1979, and his education doctorate in
24 1987; and

25 WHEREAS, currently, Dr. Guyton serves as the State 4-H
26 Specialist in Environmental Education, Associate Level at the



27 Mississippi State University, Extension Service Coastal Research
28 and Extension Center in Biloxi; and

29 WHEREAS, Dr. Guyton's responsibilities include: establishing
30 and implementing a comprehensive state-wide Environmental
31 Education Program; establishing and maintaining liaison with
32 governmental agencies, environmental organizations and educational
33 institutions; devise, coordinate and implement workshops,
34 conferences, camps and meetings; and prepare educational
35 information, background materials, exhibits and displays; and

36 WHEREAS, throughout his long and distinguished career, Dr.
37 Guyton has also worked in various other positions such as teacher,
38 item writer and proof reader, graduate assistant and associate
39 professor of education, chairman of science department and
40 assistant professor of physics, air conditioner/heater repair and
41 residential electrician, regional manager for a jewelry store; and

42 WHEREAS, an active member of his profession and community,
43 Dr. Guyton is a member of many organizations such as the National
44 Association of Extension 4-H Agents; Mississippi Environmental
45 Education Alliance; North American Association for Environmental
46 Education; Rainwater Astronomical Association; Association of
47 Teacher Educators; National Science Teachers Association; American
48 Educational Research Association; and many others; and

49 WHEREAS, in addition, Dr. Guyton serves on a long list of
50 boards associated with museums, research institutions and
51 environmental and recreation centers in Mississippi; and

52 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
53 and commend outstanding Mississippians such as Dr. Guyton, who has
54 dedicated his career to improving the quality of education and the
55 environment:

56 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
57 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
58 THEREIN, That we do commend and congratulate Dr. John William
59 Guyton, III, upon being named Mississippi Project Learning Tree's



60 2003 Educator of the Year and express our heartiest wishes for
61 continued success in all his future endeavors.

62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
63 furnished to Dr. John William Guyton, III, and to the members of
64 the Capitol Press Corps.

