By: Senator(s) Harvey

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 540

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
2	MECHELLE RAMSHUR OF COLUMBIA, MISSISSIPPI, FOR BEING NAMED THE
3	"MISSISSIPPI OUTSTANDING ELEMENTARY SCIENCE TEACHER OF THE YEAR
4	2002" BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.
5	WHEREAS, Mechelle B. Ramshur, a fourth grade teacher at
5	Sumrall Elementary School, has been named the "Mississippi
7	Outstanding Elementary Science Teacher of the Year for 2002" by

- 8 the State Department of Education; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mechelle is a resident of Columbia, Mississippi, a
- 10 National Board Certified Teacher and has taught in the Lamar
- 11 County School system since 1994; and
- 12 WHEREAS, she holds an Educational Specialist Degree from the
- 13 University of Southern Mississippi and a Bachelors Degree and
- 14 Masters Degree from William Carey College; and this dedicated
- 15 teacher has served in the following school-related activities:
- 16 Sumrall Elementary Science Fair Committee Chair, initiated in
- 17 2001; Grade Chair, 2001-2002, 1999-2000 and 1995-1996; Sumrall
- 18 Little Theatre Assistant Director, 1998 to present; Sumrall Little
- 19 Bobcat News, initiated in 1998; Sumrall Elementary Public
- 20 Relations Committee, 2001-2002; Accelerated Reader Committee,
- 21 2001-2002; Reading Night for Parents, 1999-2000; Science Night for
- 22 Parents, 2001-2002; and Adopt-A-School Committee Member; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Mechelle belongs to the following professional
- 24 organizations: Delta Kappa Gamma, Mississippi Science Teachers
- 25 Association and National Science Teachers Association; and
- 26 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the importance of science
- 27 skills at the elementary level in order to instill an interest in
- 28 the field of engineering and related professions; and

29 W	HEREAS,	Mechelle's	educational	philosophy	is	that	excellence
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- 30 in education is an illusive quality for which we are always
- 31 striving; and
- 32 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
- 33 Mississippian whose dedication to her students brings honor to her
- 34 school, her community and to the State of Mississippi:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 36 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
- 37 we do hereby commend and congratulate Mechelle Ramshur, a fourth
- 38 grade teacher at Sumrall Elementary School, upon her receipt of
- 39 the Mississippi Outstanding Elementary Science Teacher of the Year
- 40 Award for 2002, and extend to her and her family the best wishes
- 41 of the Legislature.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
- 43 presented to Mechelle Ramshur, be forwarded to the Principal of
- 44 Sumrall Elementary School, and be made available to the Capitol
- 45 Press Corps.