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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 605  
(As Adopted by the Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE MEN AND  
2 WOMEN FROM THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI IN THE U.S. ARMED FORCES  
3 PARTICIPATING IN MILITARY OPERATIONS AGAINST IRAQ AND EXPRESSING  
4 SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH AND HIS LEADERSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, events in Iraq have reached the final days of  
6 decision, and at the direction of the President of the United  
7 States, the Armed Forces of the United States are poised to launch  
8 military operations with our allies against Saddam Hussein and his  
9 forces in Iraq; and

10 WHEREAS, among the forces participating in this mobilization  
11 under Operation Enduring Freedom are many members of the regular  
12 United States Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard,  
13 Reserves and National Guard who are residents or natives of the  
14 State of Mississippi who are being deployed, including 182 female  
15 and 2,056 male soldiers in the Mississippi Army and Air National  
16 Guard already deployed, with a total number of 3,662 dependents  
17 recorded for those deployed; and

18 WHEREAS, the dictatorship of Iraq has continued to develop  
19 weapons of mass destruction in violation of United Nations  
20 Security Council Resolution 1441; the dictator, Saddam Hussein,  
21 has demonstrated a willingness to use weapons of mass destruction  
22 against neighboring nations and the citizens of Iraq. Saddam  
23 Hussein threatens the Middle East and the global economy with the  
24 threat to use weapons of mass destruction; and

25 WHEREAS, the United States of America has the sovereign  
26 authority to use force in assuring its own national security.  
27 Recognizing the threat to our country, the United States Congress  
28 voted overwhelmingly last year to support the use of force against



29 Iraq, and that duty falls to President George W. Bush as  
30 Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces; and

31 WHEREAS, Mississippians understand the costs of conflict  
32 because we have paid them in the past, and we again accept that  
33 responsibility. The men and women of the Armed Forces of the  
34 United States will be the guardians of civilization as we know it.  
35 War has no certainty except the certainty of sacrifice, yet the  
36 only way to reduce the harm and duration of war is to apply the  
37 full force and might of our military; and

38 WHEREAS, it is our earnest prayer that the job be done well  
39 and swiftly and that the return home to family and friends be safe  
40 and soon:

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
42 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
43 we do hereby declare our complete support for and our great pride  
44 in the Armed Forces of the United States, particularly the men and  
45 women from the State of Mississippi, both in the Middle East and  
46 elsewhere, who are participating in and supporting military  
47 operations against Saddam Hussein and his forces in Iraq, and we  
48 pray for the quick and successful conclusion of their important  
49 mission and for their safe and sound return home.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we do hereby express our support  
51 of President George W. Bush and the President's cabinet for their  
52 courage and decision to remove Saddam Hussein from power.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be sent to the  
54 President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense, the  
55 Secretary of Homeland Security, Major General James H. Lipscomb  
56 III-Mississippi National Guard, the Commanding General-American  
57 Military Forces-Operation Enduring Freedom and to members of  
58 Mississippi's congressional delegation, and be made available to  
59 the Capitol Press Corps.

