

By: Senator(s) Michel

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 96

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING SUE GUNTER,
2 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME COACH FROM WALNUT GROVE,
3 MISSISSIPPI, UPON HER INDUCTION INTO THE MISSISSIPPI SPORTS HALL
4 OF FAME CLASS OF 2003.

5 WHEREAS, the Jackson Touchdown Club and Mississippi Sports
6 Hall of Fame has unveiled the Class of 2003 of the Mississippi
7 Sports Hall of Fame, which features Sue Gunter, Women's Basketball
8 Hall of Fame Coach from Walnut Grove, Mississippi, who led teams
9 at Middle Tennessee State, Stephen F. Austin and LSU and is the
10 fourth winningest women's basketball coach in NCAA history; and

11 WHEREAS, Sue Gunter was a star shooting guard for Walnut
12 Grove High and East Central Community College at Decatur,
13 Mississippi; she attended Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee,
14 where she played for the Nashville Business College AAU team that
15 won two National AAU Tournaments, was named All America guard in
16 1960 and played for U.S. National Team that played the Soviet
17 Union from 1960-1962; and

18 WHEREAS, she coached Middle Tennessee State to two unbeaten
19 seasons before launching a 15-year stint at Stephen F. Austin, led
20 the Ladyjacks to four top 20 rankings, four state titles, a
21 regional crown and five AIAW Tournament appearances with a record
22 of 266-87; and

23 WHEREAS, Sue is an active coach for LSU Lady Tigers, where
24 she has coached for 20 seasons; she has guided LSU women's hoops
25 teams to 12 NCAA Tournament appearances, 2 NCAA Elite Eight
26 appearances, 6 Sweet Sixteen appearances, an SEC tournament title,
27 a WNIT championship, she has coached the Lady Tigers to a mark of
28 385-209 and is the winningest basketball coach in LSU history; and



29 WHEREAS, overall, her teams have compiled a record of 651
30 wins with 296 losses in 38 seasons; and

31 WHEREAS, she was inducted into the East Central Community
32 College Hall of Fame in 2000 and enshrined into the Women's
33 Basketball Hall of Fame in Knoxville, Tennessee, on June 10, 2000;
34 and

35 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
36 outstanding athlete who has brought honor to her community and to
37 the State of Mississippi:

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
39 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Sue
40 Gunter, Women's Basketball Hall of Fame Coach from Walnut Grove,
41 Mississippi, who is the fourth winningest women's basketball coach
42 in NCAA history, upon her induction into the Mississippi Sports
43 Hall of Fame Class of 2003, and wish her and her family continued
44 success in all their future endeavors.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
46 presented to Sue Gunter at induction ceremonies to be held on
47 April 4, 2003, in Vicksburg, Mississippi, and be made available to
48 the Capitol Press Corps.

