

By: Representative Hamilton (109th)

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING MR. CLYDE BROWN ON BEING
2 NAMED RECIPIENT OF THE 2003 NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC
3 ASSOCIATION'S (NOAA) ENVIRONMENTAL HERO AWARD.

4 WHEREAS, Clyde Brown of Moss Point, Mississippi, an active
5 participant and supporter of the Department of Marine Resources'
6 Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (GBNERR), was named
7 the 2003 recipient of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric
8 Administration's (NOAA) Environmental Hero Award; and

9 WHEREAS, the selection of Mr. Brown as the award recipient is
10 attributable to his long-term efforts to protect the fragile,
11 natural resources of the Mississippi Coastal region; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Brown, a life-long resident of eastern Jackson
13 County, Mississippi, and forty-year retiree from the International
14 Paper Company, has been involved in numerous volunteer efforts to
15 preserve Mississippi's coastal resources, which range from serving
16 on citizen advisory council, to establishing the GBNERR; and

17 WHEREAS, the Environmental Hero Award was established in 1995
18 to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Earth Day, and is presented
19 to individuals and organizations who volunteer their time and
20 energy to assist NOAA in fulfilling its mission; and

21 WHEREAS, described as soft-spoken, yet determined in his
22 efforts to conserve the resources of the Mississippi Gulf Coast,
23 Mr. Brown is among only thirty-six winners in the nation, in a
24 class of thirty-five individuals and one organization, of the 2003
25 NOAA Environmental Hero Award; and

26 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
27 and commend excellence in such outstanding Mississippians as Mr.

28 Brown, who serves as the pulse of the Mississippi Coastal
29 community as he seeks out federal and state conservation
30 initiatives to preserve the area's rich resources, and whose
31 devotion to the cause embodies true environmental heroism:

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
33 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
34 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mr. Clyde
35 Brown on being named recipient of the 2003 NOAA Environmental Hero
36 Award and extend our heartiest wishes for success in all his
37 future endeavors.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
39 furnished to Mr. Clyde Brown and to the members of the Capitol
40 Press Corps.