

By: Representative Broomfield

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING DARIUS HARRIS ON ACHIEVING THE HONOR
2 OF THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD.

3 WHEREAS, Darius Harris of Moss Point, Mississippi, attained
4 the rank of Eagle Scout on January 31, 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, the son of Larry and Lillie Watts and grandson of
6 Victoria and Eddie Williams and Wilda and Bernum Tate, Darius is a
7 member of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Troop 476 of Moss Point,
8 Mississippi; and

9 WHEREAS, Darius has been a Boy Scout participant for
10 approximately ten years, earning the required merit badges to
11 fulfill his duties and obligations of maintaining and promoting
12 the mission and vision of the Boy Scouts of America; and

13 WHEREAS, adhering to the Scout Oath and abiding by the Scout
14 Law, Darius was able to acquire this coveted honor by advancing
15 his knowledge, leadership skills, organizational skills, hours of
16 community service, as well as support from the community, peers
17 and family; and

18 WHEREAS, with the assistance of Moss Point District 2
19 Supervisor, Robert Norvell, Darius' Eagle Scout project consisted
20 of planning, organizing and working on the beautification of the
21 entrance and exit of Eddie Khayat Park and the restoration of the
22 landscape aesthetics of the Pointe Place subdivision entrance; and

23 WHEREAS, in conjunction with his scout tasks, Darius, a
24 senior at Moss Point High School, is a member of the Marching
25 Band, Jazz Band, Pep Band and Concert Band, and has received
26 several awards, including: King of the Band for 2003-2004, Most

27 Improved Player Award and Excellent Display of Leadership Award;
28 and

29 WHEREAS, a member of Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist
30 Church, Darius has aspirations of attending Tennessee State
31 University in pursuit of a career in computer science; and

32 WHEREAS, Darius, by receiving this honor, is making history
33 twice by being one of two recipients from Troop 476, and by being
34 one of two African-American recipients of the Eagle Scout honor in
35 Moss Point, in approximately thirty years; and

36 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
37 and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the young
38 people of our state, who are its future:

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
40 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
41 commend and congratulate Darius on receiving the honor of the
42 Eagle Scout Award and wish to express our heartiest wishes for
43 success in all his future endeavors.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
45 furnished to Darius Harris and to the members of the Capitol Press
46 Corps.