

By: Representatives Shows, Eaton, Staples

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 70

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MICHAEL LAMAR NEWMAN ON ACHIEVING THE
2 HONOR OF THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD.

3 WHEREAS, Michael Lamar Newman of Soso, Mississippi, recently
4 completed the requirements to attain the rank of Eagle Scout in
5 the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) program; and

6 WHEREAS, the 17-year-old son of Vernon and Tammie Newman and
7 older brother of Morgan Newman, Michael is member of BSA Troop 48
8 sponsored by the Lebanon Baptist Church of the Lebanon Community;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Michael began his scouting experience in 1993 as a
11 Cub Scout, advancing through the Bear, Wolf and Webelos ranks;
12 achieving the Arrow of Light Award in 1997, entering the BSA in
13 1998 and earning the required merit badges to fulfill his duties
14 and obligations of maintaining and promoting the mission and
15 vision of the Boy Scouts of America; and

16 WHEREAS, Michael has served his BSA troop as senior patrol
17 leader, patrol leader, librarian, chaplain and was selected to
18 serve in the BSA "Order of the Arrow" in 2000, where he served as
19 assistant chief and chief; and

20 WHEREAS, adhering to the Scout Oath and abiding by the Scout
21 Law, Michael was able to earn this coveted honor by advancing his
22 knowledge, leadership skills, organizational skills, hours of
23 community service, as well as support from the community, peers
24 and family; and

25 WHEREAS, a junior at West Jones High School, Michael is
26 active in various organizations, including the award winning show
27 choirs, "Center Stage" and "Imagination," the Key Club, "Teens

28 Getting Involved in the Future (TGIF)," the Geography Society, the
29 National Beta Club and the Teenage Republicans; and

30 WHEREAS, in conjunction with his scout tasks, Michael is
31 enrolled in the Allied Health Program at West Jones High School,
32 and is a member of its Health Occupations Student of America
33 (HOSA) organization, wherein he competed in the Veterinarian
34 Assisting Competition, placing second in the Mississippi Southern
35 Region and first in the Mississippi State Competitions, securing
36 Mississippi's representation at the National HOSA Competition in
37 Orlando, Florida, in June; and

38 WHEREAS, a member of Big Creek Baptist Church, Michael is
39 active in the Youth Group and Choir, has served as Vacation Bible
40 School teacher, Children's Church attendant and Sunday School
41 teacher; and

42 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
43 recognize and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the
44 young people of our state, who are its future:

45 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
46 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
47 commend and congratulate Michael Lamar Newman on achieving the
48 honor of the Eagle Scout Award and wish to express our heartiest
49 wishes for success in all his future endeavors.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
51 furnished to Michael Lamar Newman and to the members of the
52 Capitol Press Corps.