

By: Representative Montgomery

To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 84

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING SUSAN NYCOLE LONG ON HER RECENT  
2 SELECTION AS A WINNER OF THE MUTUAL OF OMAHA ESSAY CONTEST.

3 WHEREAS, Susan Nycole Long, a fifth grade honor student  
4 attending South Pontotoc Elementary School, was recently chosen as  
5 the overall state winner in the Mutual of Omaha Essay Contest held  
6 in November 2003; and

7 WHEREAS, the daughter of Dennis and Jeanie Long, sister of  
8 Stephanie and Kody, and granddaughter of Julius and Wilma Stahl of  
9 Pontotoc, Mississippi, Emmer Jean Long of Troy, Mississippi, and  
10 the late Ruble Long, Susan, who enjoys reading and being with  
11 friends, was also one of 13 state winners in the "Conserving  
12 Energy" art contest in November 2003; and

13 WHEREAS, seeking to tap in on the natural creativity of  
14 today's youth as a means of proving that kids can make a  
15 difference in efforts of preserving our natural world, Mutual of  
16 Omaha encouraged kids ages nine through twelve to write a one-page  
17 essay explaining their idea for saving an endangered species; and

18 WHEREAS, Susan's winning essay, "The Barking Squirrel," which  
19 expounds on a means of preserving the Black-tailed Prairie Dogs,  
20 was chosen out of countless thousands submitted throughout the  
21 state and nation; and

22 WHEREAS, as a winning entrant, Susan will be afforded the  
23 opportunity to present her conservation ideas to her peers at the  
24 Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom Kids' Summit in San Diego,  
25 California, on May 5-7, 2004; and

26           WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
27 recognize and commend excellence in the youth of our state, who  
28 are its future:

29           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
30 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
31 commend and congratulate Susan Nycole Long on her recent selection  
32 as the overall state winner in the Mutual of Omaha Essay Contest  
33 and extend our heartiest wishes for success in all her future  
34 endeavors.

35           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
36 furnished to Susan Nycole Long and to the members of the Capitol  
37 Press Corps.