By: Representatives Snowden, Dickson, Horne, To: Rules Robinson (84th), Young

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95

| 1 | A RESOLUTION | COMMENDING | AND CONG | RATULATING | : LILLIAN | ZAMORA | ON |
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| 2 | BEING SELECTED AS | FEMALE SPOR | RTSMAN OF | THE YEAR | FOR THE | 2003 ST. | ATE |

- 3 GAMES OF MISSISSIPPI.
- 4 WHEREAS, Lillian Zamora of Quitman, Mississippi, was selected
- 5 as Female Sportsman of the Year for the 2003 State Games of
- 6 Mississippi; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the award seeks to honor those athletes who
- 8 personify the ideals of the State Games movement, such as
- 9 participation, sportsmanship, achievement, effort, positive
- 10 attitude and commitment in maintaining physical fitness; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Zamora was a 5K Run participant in the State
- 12 Games of Mississippi, and her results in the 2003 games were one
- 13 Gold Medal; and
- 14 WHEREAS, having participated in the State Games of
- 15 Mississippi since 2001, Mrs. Zamora has claimed title to three
- 16 consecutive Gold Medals in her division during her three years of
- 17 participation; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Zamora is very focused in her preparation for
- 19 these events and has worked hard to learn the technical aspects of
- 20 the sport since taking up running at age 40, and now at age 51 she
- 21 still maintains that same positive attitude and enthusiasm of
- 22 competing, and is an all-around athlete; and
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Zamora's life story isn't chronicled by a long
- 24 history of success and prosperity, but rather it began under a
- 25 dictatorship that subsequently resulted in a takeover of the
- 26 government in her native country, Nicaragua, forcing her family to
- 27 seek a more secure life in the United States; and

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- WHEREAS, having resided in Quitman, Mississippi, for the past
- 29 24 years with her husband, Dr. Ivan Zamora, Mrs. Zamora has
- 30 generated an impressive record of wins in local, regional and
- 31 national competitions and marathons; and
- 32 WHEREAS, Mrs. Zamora demonstrates the true spirit of
- 33 camaraderie of the State Games of Mississippi, as she is committed
- 34 to doing her very best to compete in numerous events in which she
- 35 has excelled for the past three years, and she enjoys the
- 36 competition and has respect for the athletes, volunteers, and
- 37 staff who work, plan and implement this annual classic; and
- 38 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
- 39 recognize and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the
- 40 citizens of this state:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
- 42 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do commend
- 43 and congratulate Mrs. Lillian Zamora on being selected as Female
- 44 Sportsman of the Year for the 2003 State Games of Mississippi and
- 45 express our heartiest wishes for continued success in all her
- 46 future endeavors.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
- 48 furnished to Mrs. Zamora and to members of the Capitol Press
- 49 Corps.