

By: Representatives Weathersby, Brown,
Whittington, Akins, Coleman (65th)

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 106

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING DR. VERNON CLYDE MUSE FOR HIS
2 COMMENDABLE WORKS UPON BEING NAMED OUTSTANDING COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Vernon Clyde Muse, President of Hinds Community
4 College, was honored by the All-American Football Foundation at
5 its 2003 Banquet of Champions with the Outstanding College
6 President Award; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Muse has held the office of President of Hinds
8 Community College since 1978, where he oversees a student
9 enrollment of more than 13,000 and an annual budget of
10 \$48,000,000.00 at four campuses, and a total staff of 1,112
11 professional and nonprofessional employees; and

12 WHEREAS, a 1947 graduate of Sebastopol High School, Dr. Muse
13 furthered his educational skills by earning his associate of arts
14 degree from East Central Community College in 1949, his bachelor
15 of science degree with honors from Delta State in 1952 with a
16 major in health and physical education and a minor in science, his
17 master of education degree from Mississippi State in 1959 with a
18 major in school administration and a minor in science and his
19 doctor of education degree from Mississippi State University in
20 1968 with a major in school administration and a minor in
21 educational psychology; and

22 WHEREAS, Dr. Muse began his career in educational instruction
23 in 1952 in the Canton Public School System before transferring to
24 the Starkville Municipal Separate School District in 1957, where
25 he remained until 1969; and

26 WHEREAS, prior to his presidency, Dr. Muse served as an
27 adjunct instructor of graduate and undergraduate courses in

28 education and psychology at Mississippi State University, and
29 subsequent to his fulfilling his duties as President of Hinds
30 Community College, he has served in the capacity as an adjunct
31 instructor of graduate courses at the Mississippi College School
32 of Education; and

33 WHEREAS, in efforts of facilitating better college academia
34 to prepare qualified students for life in the real world, Dr. Muse
35 has participated in the legislative process by serving in
36 advisory capacities to the Legislature, including the House and
37 Senate Education Committees in development of the Education Reform
38 Act, the House and Senate Education Committees on legislation
39 creating the State Board for Vocational-Technical Education and as
40 advisor to the Lieutenant Governor, House and Senate Education
41 Committees for the constitutional amendment creating a Lay State
42 Board of Education; and

43 WHEREAS, for his diligent commitment to education, Dr. Muse
44 has enjoyed the honor of being one of 50 junior college
45 presidents, nationwide, to participate in the 1980 AACJC
46 Presidents' Assembly and one of 50 superintendents, nationwide, to
47 participate in Columbia University 1975 Summer Institute; and

48 WHEREAS, an ambassador for Mississippi's education system,
49 both secondary and postsecondary, Dr. Muse has made three voyages
50 to Russia and one trip to Surinam to enlighten government and
51 institutional officials of the benefits community colleges have on
52 economic development in a region; and

53 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
54 recognize and commend the outstanding works of its collegiate
55 administrative leaders, such as Dr. Muse, whose skill and
56 experience has garnered much respect and honor to Hinds Community
57 College and the State of Mississippi:

58 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
59 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
60 commend and congratulate Dr. Vernon Clyde Muse for his many

61 contributions to Hinds Community College and upon receiving the
62 Outstanding College President Award by the All-American Football
63 Foundation.

64 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
65 furnished to Dr. Vernon Clyde Muse, Hinds Community College, the
66 Mississippi State Board of Community and Junior Colleges and to
67 the members of the Capitol Press Corps.