

By: Senator(s) Burton

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 549

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MISSISSIPPI  
2 ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING AND PROPERTY AGENTS FOR  
3 THEIR LEADERSHIP AND CONTRIBUTION IN HOSTING THE NATIONAL  
4 INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING'S ANNUAL EXPOSITION, AND  
5 DESIGNATING MARCH 2004 AS PURCHASING MONTH IN MISSISSIPPI.

6 WHEREAS, the purchasing and materials management professions  
7 play a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of  
8 both government and business; and purchasing and materials  
9 management professionals, through their combined purchasing power,  
10 spend billions of dollars every year and so have a significant  
11 influence upon economic conditions throughout the world; and

12 WHEREAS, the mission of the National Institute of  
13 Governmental Purchasing is to enhance public procurement, promote  
14 the profession and preserve the public trust by providing  
15 expertise, direction and leadership for members and other  
16 stakeholders; and

17 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Association of Governmental  
18 Purchasing and Property Agents (MAGPPA), Chapter of the National  
19 Institute of Governmental Purchasing and other professional  
20 purchasing associations throughout the world engage in special  
21 efforts during the month of March, to inform the public about the  
22 importance of the role played by the purchasing profession in  
23 business, industry and government; and

24 WHEREAS, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing  
25 provides invaluable services to its members and the public  
26 procurement profession through quality educational seminars, its  
27 Annual Forum and Products Exposition, its certification programs  
28 and its publications on best procurement practices; and

29           WHEREAS, the Mississippi Association of Governmental  
30 Purchasing and Property Agents strives to increase efficiency and  
31 economy in government by improving the quality of governmental  
32 purchasing, property and materials management in the State of  
33 Mississippi; and

34           WHEREAS, the Mississippi Association of Governmental  
35 Purchasing and Property Agents support and provide continuing  
36 education in the field of public procurement to further ensure the  
37 wise use of public resources and accountability of those  
38 resources; and

39           WHEREAS, the Mississippi Association of Governmental  
40 Purchasing and Property Agents will serve as host to the National  
41 Institute of Governmental Purchasing's 59th Annual Forum and  
42 Products Exposition on August 7 through 11, 2004 in Biloxi,  
43 Mississippi:

44           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
45 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
46 we hereby commend the Mississippi Association of Governmental  
47 Purchasing and Property Agents for their leadership and  
48 contribution in hosting the National Institute of Governmental  
49 Purchasing Annual Exposition in Biloxi, Mississippi, in August,  
50 2004, welcome the Institute and its Board of Directors to the  
51 State of Mississippi and designate March 2004 as "Purchasing Month  
52 in Mississippi" to recognize their considerable contributions to  
53 the field of public procurement.

54           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
55 the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Governmental  
56 Purchasing and its Mississippi Chapter, and be made available to  
57 the Capitol Press Corps.