

By: Senator(s) Frazier, White, Harden

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 592

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE  
2 MEMBERS OF THE MURRAH HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAM FOR THEIR  
3 OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT DURING THE 21ST ANNUAL MISSISSIPPI HIGH  
4 SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION.

5 WHEREAS, the Murrah High School Mock Trial Team recently  
6 earned Second Place in the State Finals of the 2004 Statewide Mock  
7 Trial Competition;

8 WHEREAS, the Young Lawyers Division of the Mississippi Bar  
9 Association hosted the 2004 Statewide Mock Trial Competition  
10 finals in Jackson, Mississippi, where 20 high school teams from  
11 around the state advanced to the finals out of the original 41  
12 teams that competed in regional competitions in Jackson, Oxford,  
13 Gulfport and Hattiesburg; and

14 WHEREAS, the Murrah High School Mock Trial Team was the only  
15 team from the Jackson Public School System competing in this  
16 year's competition; and

17 WHEREAS, the Murrah High School Mock Trial Team was  
18 undefeated through six rounds of competition, winning the regional  
19 competition in January and advancing to the final round in the  
20 statewide competition in February; and

21 WHEREAS, the Murrah High School Mock Trial Team consisted of  
22 the following students: Julius Fleming, David Dennis, Tala  
23 Talae, Natalie King, Joel Russell, Gwen Ballard and Candace King;  
24 and

25 WHEREAS, the Murrah High School Mock Trial Team exhibited the  
26 utmost professionalism throughout the competition and displayed a  
27 high degree of sportsmanship; and

28           WHEREAS, the Murrah High School Mock Trial Team exhibited a  
29 complete mastery of the mock trial materials which was the direct  
30 result of their countless hours of hard work after school for a  
31 period of over three months; and

32           WHEREAS, the team was superbly coached, mentored, and  
33 inspired by their teacher, Linda Walters, and attorney volunteer  
34 Sharon Day, who gave of their own time and money to make the  
35 experience a positive and lasting one for the team members; and

36           WHEREAS, the 2004 Murrah High School Mock Trial Team has  
37 brought great honor to Murrah High School and the Jackson Public  
38 School System; and

39           WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize  
40 and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the youth of  
41 our state, who are its future:

42           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
43 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN,  
44 That we do hereby commend and congratulate the members of the  
45 Murrah High School Mock Trial Team for their outstanding  
46 achievement during the 21st Annual Mississippi High School Mock  
47 Trial Competition, and we extend our heartiest wishes for success  
48 in all of their future endeavors.

49           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
50 furnished to the members of the Murrah High School Mock Trial  
51 Team, to Murrah High School, and made available to the members of  
52 the Capitol Press Corps.