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By: Senator(s) Frazier, Harden, Walls, Thomas

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING GRADUATE DEANS FROM JACKSON STATE

UNIVERSITY WHO HAVE PROVIDED FIFTY YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE. 2 3 WHEREAS, the following persons, the late Dr. Augustus C. 4 Blanks, Dr. Charles C. Mosley and Dr. Ivory C. Manning, Dr. Oscar Allan Rogers, Dr. Leslie Burl McLemore, Dr. Bettye Ward-Fletcher, 5 Dr. Lula S. Collier, Dr. E.C. Foster, Dr. Dorris R. 6 7 Robinson-Gardner and Dr. Jeffrey D. Zubkowski, have provided 8 exemplary service to Jackson State University in the development 9 of excellence in graduate education during the past fifty years (1954-2004); and 10 WHEREAS, through providing leadership for the Graduate 11 Council, Division of Graduate Studies, The Graduate School and 12 individual graduate programs; and 13 WHEREAS, fifty-five graduate programs consisting of 14 15 thirty-nine masters degree programs, six specialists degree programs and ten doctoral degree programs are offered and taught 16 17 by graduate faculty members; and WHEREAS, through their tireless dedication to the educational 18 process, thousands of graduate students have become scholars and 19 20 professional leaders who will forever be connected to the State of 21 Mississippi; and 22 WHEREAS, due to the hard work of these graduate 23 administrators and educators, Jackson State University has been propelled from its roots as a regional teacher's college to the 24 25 doctoral research intensive university it is today; and WHEREAS, it is because of the immeasurable contributions of 26 27 such educators that Jackson State University, with a longstanding *SS01/R1386* 19 S. R. No. N1/204/SS01/R1386 PAGE 1

28 tradition of dedicated educators, will continue to grow and reach 29 greater vitality; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Senate of the State of 30 31 Mississippi to recognize and commend excellence and the 32 exceptional contributions to the field of graduate education in 33 higher learning, especially when evidenced by people who have dedicated so many years of their lives to developing and 34 cultivating the minds and bodies of the many young scholars and 35 professionals with whom they come in contact during their careers: 36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF 37 38 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend all those educators who have provided dedicated and exemplary services to Jackson State 39 40 University during the past fifty years.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be furnished to 42 the President of Jackson State University, all of the individuals 43 listed above and the Capitol Press Corps.