

By: Senator(s) Michel, Chaney, Flowers,  
Frazier, Little

To: Rules

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 24

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CAREER AND LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE  
2 OF DR. DENNIS TOSH, DEPARTMENT CHAIR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF  
3 MISSISSIPPI, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT.

4 WHEREAS, the Department of Finance at the University of  
5 Mississippi lost one of its finest professors recently when Dennis  
6 Tosh decided to retire and bypass teaching in the Fall of 2003;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Tosh served as Department Chair of Real Estate  
9 and has coordinated all real estate programs since 1980. He won  
10 the School of Business's Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award in  
11 1997, as well as in 2003; and

12 WHEREAS, he has published articles in countless journals and  
13 textbooks. His articles include "Artificial Intelligence: The  
14 Future of Appraising," "The Campus and Economic Development in  
15 Tupelo, Mississippi: Modeling a Journey from Early Vision to  
16 Enhancement," "FIRREA, Appraisal Reports, and Bank Compliance,"  
17 "Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice:  
18 Implications for the Financial Community" and "Understanding Real  
19 Estate: Don't Forget the Fundamentals." His textbooks include  
20 *Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice: Applying*  
21 *the Standards; Fair Lending and the Appraiser; Questions and*  
22 *Answers to Help You Pass the Real Estate Appraisal Certification*  
23 *Exam; Appraiser's Real Estate Appraisal Compliance Manual; Real*  
24 *Estate Handbook; and Real Estate Principles for License*  
25 *Preparation; and*

26 WHEREAS, winner of the Distinguished Faculty Award in 1999,  
27 he is also a member of various real estate societies, including

28 Rho Epsilon Professional Real Estate Fraternity (National  
29 President), Real Estate Educators Association (National Board of  
30 Directors), and American Real Estate Urban Economics Association  
31 (State Membership Chairperson); and

32 WHEREAS, Dennis Tosh is retired from the University of  
33 Mississippi after being one of the founders of FNC, Inc., based in  
34 Oxford, Mississippi. This corporation is providing collateral  
35 infrastructure to the United States real estate loan sector. With  
36 a solid reputation serving many of the nation's largest lenders,  
37 FNC's technology solutions, data management and analytics services  
38 are fast becoming the industry standard; and

39 WHEREAS, State Senator Walter Michel (B.B.A. 1983) was Dr.  
40 Tosh's first real estate student to declare real estate as his  
41 major in 1980; and

42 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the legacy  
43 of excellence left by this distinguished faculty member, who has  
44 brought honor to his university, his community and to the State of  
45 Mississippi:

46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
47 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the career and legacy of  
48 excellence of Dr. Dennis Tosh, Department Chair at the University  
49 of Mississippi, on the occasion of his retirement, and extend to  
50 him and his family the best wishes of the Senate on his future  
51 endeavors.

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
53 Dr. Tosh and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.