

By: Senator(s) Frazier, Horhn, Harden

To: Rules

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CAREER AND LEGACY OF DEDICATED  
2 SERVICE TO STUDENTS OF JOHNNY HUGHES, JR., PRINCIPAL OF LANIER  
3 HIGH SCHOOL IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS  
4 RETIREMENT.

5 WHEREAS, veteran educator and administrator Johnny Hughes,  
6 Jr., who is completing his sixth year as Principal of Lanier High  
7 School in Jackson, Mississippi, has announced his retirement; and

8 WHEREAS, Johnny L. Hughes, Jr. is the eldest son of five  
9 children (all former graduates of Lanier High School) of Mrs.  
10 Viola Hughes and the late Mr. Johnny L. Hughes, Sr. A 1970  
11 graduate of Lanier Junior/Senior High School, he received his B.A.  
12 and M.A. Degrees in History and Administration from Jackson State  
13 University. He holds an Education Specialist Degree in History  
14 and Social Studies from Mississippi College and he spent seventeen  
15 years as a classroom teacher. Mr. Hughes' teaching career began  
16 in 1974 in Durant, Mississippi, where he taught social studies for  
17 three years. In 1977, he was employed by the Jackson Public  
18 School District, where he worked as a classroom teacher for  
19 fourteen years before becoming an administrator in 1991. Hughes  
20 worked at Lanier High School from 1991-1995 as an Assistant  
21 Principal; and

22 WHEREAS, in 1995, Mr. Hughes became Principal of Hinds  
23 Agricultural High School where he worked until June 1998.  
24 However, in June 1998, Mr. Hughes was able to return to his alma  
25 mater as Principal; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Hughes is married to the former Janet D. Butler,  
27 who is also a graduate of Lanier. They have two children, Jarvis,  
28 a pharmaceutical representative who resides in Houston, Texas and

29 Janna, a 2002 graduate of Lanier High School, who is currently a  
30 Junior at The University of Mississippi majoring in broadcast  
31 journalism. Mr. Hughes is a member of the St. John Missionary  
32 Baptist Church of Jackson where he serves as a Deacon, an  
33 assistant Sunday School teacher and a member of both the gospel  
34 and male choirs; and

35 WHEREAS, currently, Mr. Hughes is completing his sixth year  
36 as Principal of Lanier High School. His philosophy of life is:  
37 "All things are possible, when you put God first in your life";  
38 and

39 WHEREAS, it is with pride that we recognize the dedicated  
40 service of this veteran educator whose service has brought honor  
41 to his alma mater, his community and to the State of Mississippi:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
43 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the career and legacy of  
44 dedicated service to students of Mr. Johnny Hughes, Jr., Principal  
45 of Lanier High School in Jackson, Mississippi, upon the occasion  
46 of his retirement, and extend to him and his family the best  
47 wishes of the Senate in their future endeavors.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
49 Johnny Hughes and his family and be made available to the Capitol  
50 Press Corps.