By: Senator(s) Frazier, Kirby To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MURRAH HIGH SCHOOL 2 "LADY MUSTANGS" SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL STAR, DIAMOND ROGERS, 3 "ALL-METRO PLAYER OF THE YEAR."

WHEREAS, Murrah High School "Lady Mustangs" Senior Guard
finished with a tremendous 2003-2004 season and has been named the
"Player of the Year" on *The Clarion-Ledger's* All-Metro Girls
Basketball Team; and

8 WHEREAS, Diamond Rogers, a 5-foot-11 Guard, averaged 22.4 9 points, 9.2 rebounds, 3.2 steals and 3 assists and led Murrah to a 10 Class 5A runner-up finish. She helped the Lady Mustangs to 5A 11 state titles as a sophomore and junior; and

12 WHEREAS, Diamond Rogers' basketball success should not 13 surprise anyone who knows her family. Bonnie and Henry Rogers' 14 three girls - Tamika, Raven and Diamond - are members of possibly 15 the most successful girls basketball family in Mississippi 16 history. The girls were named to *The Clarion-Ledger's* prestigious 17 "Dandy Dozen" list of the state's top players. Combined, the 18 three were part of five state championship teams; and

19 WHEREAS, Diamond Rogers' mother, Bonnie Rogers said that 20 Diamond wanted to be a cheerleader when she was real young, but 21 she started following her sister, Raven, around, and became a 22 basketball force during her high school career; and

23 WHEREAS, a very humble person, Diamond Rogers was almost 24 apologetic when told about the award. "I really don't know what 25 to say," Rogers said. "I had some good teammates and we worked 26 together"; and

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27 WHEREAS, although Diamond Rogers was quieter than her 28 sisters, she became a leader for Murrah this season. "She is more 29 passive than Tamika or Raven," said Murrah Coach Anna Jackson, who 30 coached all three Rogers girls. Diamond let her actions speak. 31 The other seniors on the team depended on her"; and

32 WHEREAS, in her junior year, Rogers led Murrah to the 2003
33 State Class 5A Championship; and

34 WHEREAS, Diamond Rogers, an Alabama-Birmingham signee, is a 35 mixture of her sisters, in basketball skills and personality; and 36 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the 37 outstanding accomplishments of this student-athlete, who has 38 brought honor to her school, her community and to the State of 39 Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Murrah High School "Lady Mustangs" Senior Girls Basketball Star, Diamond Rogers, *The Clarion-Ledger's* "All-Metro Player of the Year," and extend to her and her family the best wishes of the Senate on her future athletic and academic career.

46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to 47 Diamond Rogers and her family, be forwarded to the Principal of 48 Murrah High School and be made available to the Capitol Press 49 Corps.