

By: Representative Broomfield

To: Rules

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 14-20, 2004, AS  
2 "NATIONAL HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK" IN MISSISSIPPI.

3 WHEREAS, for the past several years the National Coalition  
4 for the Homeless and National Student Campaign Against Hunger and  
5 Homelessness have sponsored "National Hunger and Homelessness  
6 Awareness Week"; and

7 WHEREAS, the purpose of this designation and its events is to  
8 educate the public about the many reasons people are hungry and  
9 homeless, including the shortage of affordable housing in  
10 Mississippi for very low-income residents and to encourage support  
11 for homeless assistance service providers as well as community  
12 service opportunities for students and school service  
13 organizations; and

14 WHEREAS, participating in "National Hunger and Homelessness  
15 Awareness Week" not only brings greater awareness to your  
16 community, but also helps to promote the national endeavor to end  
17 hunger and homelessness. The plight of those without a home can  
18 be both lonely and difficult. Addressing their struggles by  
19 organizing and participating in this week may bring greater  
20 solidarity and understanding, as well as promote future  
21 involvement; and

22 WHEREAS, there are many organizations committed to  
23 sheltering, providing supportive services as well as meals and  
24 food supplies to the homeless; and

25 WHEREAS, the national theme of "National Hunger and  
26 Homelessness Awareness Week" 2004 is "Bringing America Home"; and

27           WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that hunger and  
28 homelessness continue to be a serious problem for many individuals  
29 and families in Mississippi:

30           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
31 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING  
32 THEREIN, That the Legislature hereby recognizes November 14-20,  
33 2004, as "National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week" in  
34 Mississippi and encourages all citizens to recognize that many  
35 people do not have housing and need support from citizens and  
36 private/public nonprofit service entities.

37           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
38 furnished to the Governor, to the Secretary of State for  
39 appropriate dissemination to support organizations and to the  
40 Capitol Press Corps.