

By: Representatives Broomfield,
Bailey, Burnett, Coleman (65th),
Fredericks, Gregory, Harrison,
Hines, Ishee, Masterson, Miles,
Morris, Myers, Smith (27th),
Weathersby, Young

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 14-20, 2004, AS "NATIONAL
2 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 House of Representatives of the State of
28 Mississippi recognizes that hunger and homelessness continue to be
29 a serious problem for many individuals and families in
30 Mississippi:

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

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