

By: Representative Fillingane

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 65

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING OAK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL UPON BEING
2 NAMED A BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
3 EDUCATION.

4 WHEREAS, now in an elite group of slightly more than 250
5 schools nationwide, Oak Grove High School was named a Blue Ribbon
6 School last September by the United States Department of
7 Education; and

8 WHEREAS, with well over 100,000 public and private schools in
9 the country, Oak Grove became one of only four schools in the
10 state in a pool of less than 300 schools nationwide to lay claim
11 to Blue Ribbon School status, representing less than half a
12 percent of the nation's schools receiving this grand honor; and

13 WHEREAS, since 1982, the Department of Education has named
14 Blue Ribbon Schools to recognize excellence, awarding schools Blue
15 Ribbons because they exemplify the great promise of "No Child Left
16 Behind"; and

17 WHEREAS, the quantitative criteria employed in selecting
18 schools for Blue Ribbon status consist of three elements: schools
19 with a high percentage of disadvantaged students that are making
20 dramatic improvements on state assessments, schools whose students
21 score in the top 10 percent on state tests and private schools
22 that perform in the top 10 percent of schools nationally; and

23 WHEREAS, because of the commitment and dedication of the
24 administrators and teachers, coupled with the drive, ambition and
25 perseverance of the students, Oak Grove High School has set the
26 benchmark of excellence in education by receiving such a widely
27 acclaimed honor; and

28 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the House of
29 Representatives recognizes such remarkable accomplishments of our
30 state's schools, administrators, teachers and students:

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
32 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
33 commend Oak Grove High School upon being selected as a Blue Ribbon
34 School by the United States Department of Education.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
36 furnished to Oak Grove High School and to the members of the
37 Capitol Press Corps.