

By: Representatives Staples, Shows, Scott,
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To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 79

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE DEDICATED SERVICE OF ANN
2 TOUCHSTONE TUCKER TO THE FIELD OF EDUCATION.

3 WHEREAS, born and raised in Jones County, Mississippi, Ann
4 Touchstone Tucker received her education at Glade High School,
5 Jones Junior College and the University of Southern Mississippi;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Tucker commenced her teaching career in 1960 at
8 Ovelt Elementary School, then she transferred to Myrick Elementary
9 School before moving to Northeast Jones Junior High School after
10 the consolidation of the county high schools in 1965; and

11 WHEREAS, over the course of 45 years, thousands of students
12 have been privileged to study English under the tutelage and
13 instruction of Mrs. Tucker, many of whom have become model and
14 productive citizens as doctors, lawyers, nurses, politicians,
15 teachers, business persons and leaders;

16 WHEREAS, the 1993-1994 and 2003-2004 Association for
17 Excellence in Education "Teacher of the Year" from Northeast Jones
18 Junior High School, Mrs. Tucker has served 15 years as sponsor of
19 the Northeast Jones Junior High Beta Club, which has been
20 recognized on the state and national levels for community service
21 projects; and

22 WHEREAS, having dedicated so many years of her life to
23 developing and cultivating the minds and spirits of the many
24 students with whom she has come in contact during her illustrious
25 career, Mrs. Tucker maintains an active social and civic schedule
26 with memberships with the Jones County Cattle Women, the Jones
27 County Farm Bureau Ladies Committee, the Human Rights Advocate

28 Committee at Ellisville State School and the Northeast Jones FFA
29 Alumni Association; and

30 WHEREAS, a faithful member of Tuckers Crossing Baptist
31 Church, where she teaches Sunday School, Mrs. Tucker has been
32 supported in her endeavors by her family: husband, Mack Tucker;
33 daughters, Phyllis (Bill) Wagnon and Amy (Michael) Blue; and three
34 grandsons, Thomas, Mark and Ford; and

35 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
36 commend the diligence and dedication of our state educators such
37 as Mrs. Tucker, for passing the torch of knowledge to future
38 leaders who will, in turn, enrich the minds of the next generation
39 of leaders:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
41 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
42 commend the dedicated and distinguished service of Mrs. Ann
43 Touchstone Tucker to the field of education and extend our
44 heartiest wishes for success in all her future endeavors.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
46 furnished to Mrs. Tucker and to the members of the Capitol Press
47 Corps.