

By: Representatives Lott, Davis, Fillingane, Frierson, Watson To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 89

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING JACK LINTON UPON BEING NAMED
2 2003-2004 MISSISSIPPI PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR.

3 WHEREAS, Jack Linton, Principal of Petal High School, was
4 recently named 2003-2004 Mississippi Principal of the Year by the
5 National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) and
6 Met Life; and

7 WHEREAS, under his astute leadership, Petal High School has
8 seen substantial academic growth as it has achieved and maintained
9 the status of Level 5 Accreditation since 2000, in addition to
10 having the 2003-2004 class of graduating seniors score above the
11 national average on the ACT; and

12 WHEREAS, while serving as principal at Petal High School,
13 Principal Linton has overseen the implementation of advanced
14 academic programs such as Freshmen Mentoring and Freshmen
15 Challenge, which have proven beneficial in assisting incoming
16 freshmen in making the transition from middle school to high
17 school; and

18 WHEREAS, Principal Linton's initiation of these programs and
19 the 6x2 school schedule has helped reduce freshmen discipline
20 problems by forty percent and has allowed greater flexibility in
21 scheduling; and

22 WHEREAS, no stranger to honorary recognition, Principal
23 Linton was named Administrator of the Year for the 2001-2002
24 school term by the Petal School District and received a
25 Meritorious Service commendation during the 2002-2003 school term
26 from the Pine Belt Counseling Association; and

27 WHEREAS, Principal Linton, as a widely acclaimed speaker, has
28 made presentations at various school districts and conferences,
29 both locally and nationally, on the topics of "Impact of Arts on
30 Academics," "Freshmen Mentoring," "Creating Fun on the Job" and
31 "Freshmen Transition"; and

32 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize and commend
33 excellence, especially when exhibited by capable educational
34 administrators such as Principal Linton, whose leadership ability
35 has brought great pride to Petal High School and the Petal School
36 District:

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
38 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
39 commend and congratulate Jack Linton upon his selection as
40 2003-2004 Mississippi Principal of the Year and express our
41 warmest wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
43 furnished to Principal Jack Linton, the Petal School District
44 School Board and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.