

By: Senator(s) Mettetal

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 524

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CAREER AND LEGACY OF
2 PUBLIC SERVICE OF DR. DAVID M. HARAWAY, PRESIDENT OF NORTHWEST
3 MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE, AND CONGRATULATING HIM UPON THE
4 OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT.

5 WHEREAS, when Dr. David McWilliams Haraway assumed the
6 presidency of Northwest Mississippi Community College in 1985, he
7 brought to the position a legacy that contained a commitment to
8 education, a love for athletics and a fondness for music. After
9 19 years of faithful service as President of Northwest, Dr.
10 Haraway will retire at the end of the academic year; and

11 WHEREAS, he is the second of five sons born to Jane
12 McWilliams Haraway, a music teacher, and Maury Haraway, an English
13 teacher and baseball coach. Dr. Haraway was outfielder and first
14 baseman on his dad's Olive Branch High School baseball team and
15 played defensive halfback in football. His musical talent found
16 its expression on the bass, while all of his brothers played
17 guitar; and

18 WHEREAS, after graduating with honors from Olive Branch High
19 School, Haraway attended the University of Mississippi where he
20 earned three degrees: Bachelor of Business Administration, Master
21 of Education, and Doctor of Philosophy in Educational
22 Administration and Supervision; and

23 WHEREAS, this sequence of higher education was interrupted by
24 a tour of duty in the United States Army and later his first
25 teaching assignment at Olive Branch Junior High School. While
26 working on his doctorate, he was a Research Associate for the
27 University of Mississippi School Planning Laboratory and taught
28 graduate level courses; and

29 WHEREAS, the Southaven campus became his training ground for
30 the President's job. He worked as an Assistant Director of the
31 center, Director of Research and Development and Director of
32 Fiscal Affairs. Until he became President, he taught ten
33 different graduate courses for Ole Miss at DeSoto Center. On the
34 Senatobia campus he was Director of the Computer Operations Center
35 and Executive Assistant to the Vice President of Operations before
36 being named President of Northwest on September 26, 1985; and

37 WHEREAS, this wealth of experience, heritage of education and
38 record of achievement brought to the presidency a man well
39 prepared for the task. From Dr. Haraway's commitment to ensure
40 quality educational opportunities for students have come increased
41 enrollment, expanded programs, services and scholarships, national
42 recognition for the athletic program, renovated facilities, a new
43 campus for DeSoto Center, additions at Oxford and Southaven, and a
44 revitalized Senatobia campus; and

45 WHEREAS, on June 8, 2000, the Board of Trustees honored Dr.
46 Haraway with a unanimous vote to name a new facility on the
47 Senatobia campus in his honor, and on June 12, 2003, a
48 groundbreaking ceremony for the David M. Haraway Cafeteria and
49 Conference Center was held at the future site; and

50 WHEREAS, as important as his Northwest family is to him, Dr.
51 Haraway finds quality time for his own family. He is married to
52 the former Ellen Allen of Olive Branch, a Cardiopulmonary
53 Perfusionist at Baptist Memorial Hospital and part owner of Delta
54 Perfusion in Memphis, Tennessee. They have two children: Neil, a
55 graduate of Northwest and the University of Mississippi who is a
56 student at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, and Lucia
57 Nelson, who teaches Art at Horn Lake High School. His daughter,
58 Claudia, a graduate of Northwest and Delta State University,
59 teaches Kindergarten in Lake Charles; and

60 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the
61 contributions of this dedicated Mississippi educator who has

62 brought honor to his college, his community and to the State of
63 Mississippi:

64 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
65 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
66 we do hereby commend the career and legacy of excellence in higher
67 education and public service of Dr. David M. Haraway, President of
68 Northwest Mississippi Community College, congratulate him on his
69 retirement and extend to him and his family the best wishes of the
70 Legislature for success in their future endeavors.

71 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
72 Dr. Haraway and be made available to the State Board for Community
73 and Junior Colleges and the Capitol Press Corps.