

By: Senator(s) Carmichael

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 568

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE OF FORMER SENATE
2 ATTORNEY LINDA CAROL SLADE OF MERIDIAN AND DIAMONDHEAD,
3 MISSISSIPPI, AND EXPRESSING THE SYMPATHY OF THE LEGISLATURE.

4 WHEREAS, former Mississippi State Senate Attorney Linda Carol
5 Slade passed away on Thursday, February 17, 2005; and

6 WHEREAS, she was born in Meridian, Mississippi, in 1956, and
7 was educated in the Meridian school system, graduating with honors
8 from Meridian High School in 1974. She was a lifelong member of
9 Central United Methodist Church. She attended Meridian Junior
10 College and graduated Magna Cum Laude, majoring in Political
11 Science and Journalism from her beloved Ole Miss in 1978. While
12 at Ole Miss, she was an officer of the Delta Delta Delta Sorority
13 and the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She graduated from the Ole
14 Miss Law School in 1981, where she was a member of the Moot Court
15 Board and Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity. During college, she
16 worked as a part-time Journalist for *The Meridian Star*; and

17 WHEREAS, she worked as Staff Attorney with the Mississippi
18 State Senate from 1982-1983, and was a Legislative Assistant for
19 then U.S. Congressman Trent Lott in Washington, D.C. She then
20 became Senator Thad Cochran's Senior Legislative Assistant until
21 1989, when she became Congressional Liaison and Staff Council for
22 NASA at the Stennis Space Center; and

23 WHEREAS, in 2000, she was awarded the Exceptional Service
24 Medal, one of NASA's most prestigious awards for exemplary
25 service, as well as various Special Act and Service Awards each
26 year between 1999 and 2004; and

27 WHEREAS, she was active as an Alumnae of Ole Miss and was a
28 past President of the Washington, D.C. Chapter of the Alumni
29 Association. She enjoyed reading, science, politics, traveling
30 with her parents and the activities of her nieces, nephews and
31 god-daughter; and

32 WHEREAS, survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.E.
33 "Buddy" Slade, Jr., of Meridian; a sister, Susan Slade Beckham,
34 and her husband, Glenn, of Greenwood; a brother, Steven D. Slade,
35 and his wife, Shelby, of Meridian; nieces and nephews; and

36 WHEREAS, it is with sadness that we note the passing of a
37 dedicated public employee and friend, whose contributions to the
38 Mississippi Legislature, the United States Congress and the NASA
39 Space Center are a matter of record:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
41 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
42 we hereby commend the life of former Senate Attorney Linda Carol
43 Slade of Meridian and Diamondhead, Mississippi, and express to her
44 surviving family the sympathy of the Legislature on her passing.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
46 the surviving family of Linda Slade and be made available to the
47 Capitol Press Corps.