

By: Senator(s) Cuevas, Hewes, Gollott, Lee
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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MICHAEL "MICKEY" HARE OF BAY ST.
2 LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, FOR HIS HEROIC ACTIONS ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29,
3 2004.

4 WHEREAS, Michael "Mickey" Hare works as a UPS driver out of
5 the Gulfport office. The Noll family of Bay St. Louis expected a
6 Christmas package that particular Monday, November 29, 2004.
7 Gregory Noll left a note on the front door, asking the driver to
8 go to the kitchen door on the side of the house. His mother,
9 86-year-old Virginia Noll, was at home. She is not sure why, but
10 Virginia Noll unlocked the kitchen door before the UPS driver
11 showed up. She was in the kitchen when her hip snapped,
12 propelling her backward. She fell to the floor, striking her head
13 on the concrete cushioned only by linoleum. The phone was on the
14 kitchen table. She tried to pull the tablecloth sideways, but
15 pulled it down instead. A baking dish filled with chocolate fudge
16 crashed to the floor. She reached an unbroken portion of the dish
17 and propped it upside down beneath her bleeding head. She waited.
18 She prayed. She began to wonder, as the minutes turned into one
19 hour and then two, if anyone would find her before she bled to
20 death. She prayed to God to send help; and

21 WHEREAS, just before noon, Mickey Hare drove up in his brown
22 UPS truck with the Nolls' Christmas package. He went straight to
23 the kitchen door. It appeared no one was home, so he called out
24 "UPS," put the package near the door and turned to leave. Then he
25 heard a woman's voice. He returned to the door. He asked if he
26 should come inside. The woman called out, "Yes." He found Mrs.
27 Noll crumpled on her side, surrounded by blood, chocolate and

28 glass. The family's Siberian husky, Chako, sat beside her. Right
29 away, Mrs. Noll's strength impressed Hare. Hare called 911 and
30 followed the emergency dispatcher's instructions to put pressure
31 on her head wound. He waited with Mrs. Noll for help to arrive,
32 then stayed with her until the ambulance pulled away; and

33 WHEREAS, the family and Mrs. Noll's doctor called UPS, where
34 he received congratulations and applause from co-workers. The
35 Noll family credits Hare with saving Virginia Noll's life. Hare
36 has visited Mrs. Noll at the nursing home where she is receiving
37 rehabilitation therapy for her hip; and

38 WHEREAS, "She said she had been praying and the Lord answered
39 her prayer," Hare said. "I told her I had been praying, too"; and

40 WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to recognize and thank
41 Michael Hare for his compassionate and heroic actions at the scene
42 of a near tragedy:

43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
44 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend Michael "Mickey" Hare of
45 Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for his heroic rescue actions on
46 November 29, 2004, and extend to him the best wishes of the Senate
47 on his future endeavors.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
49 Mickey Hare, forwarded to Virginia Noll, and be made available to
50 the Capitol Press Corps.