

By: Representatives McBride,
Morris, Burnett, Masterson

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
2 SERGEANT DENNIS DARBY OF THE MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL
3 UPON BEING NAMED STATE TROOPER OF THE YEAR.

4 WHEREAS, after 22 years of service with the Mississippi
5 Highway Safety Patrol, Sergeant Dennis Darby was recognized as the
6 State Trooper of the Year; and

7 WHEREAS, Sergeant Darby received this distinguished honor for
8 his lifetime of work, dedication and achievement and his
9 extraordinary efforts in 2004 for combating crime, by having the
10 most felony drug arrests in his district in Batesville; and

11 WHEREAS, a mentor for his younger colleagues, many of whom
12 aspire to equal prominence in the law enforcement and resident
13 communities, Sergeant Darby has exemplified true commitment to his
14 profession, moving through the ranks as DUI enforcement officer to
15 working on the canine unit; and

16 WHEREAS, having a deep respect for the three state troopers
17 that lived on his block, Dennis Darby, who admired their look,
18 their talk, their walk and their car became attracted to the field
19 and applied to the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol at the age of
20 24 after graduating from Northwest Junior College in law
21 enforcement, and was admitted to the elite society of officers
22 when he was 28; and

23 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Sergeant Darby's duties have
24 ranged from helping deliver a baby his first year on the job to
25 tracking fleeing suspects with his newest partner, Algo, a
26 seven-year-old Belgium Malinois; and

27 WHEREAS, encouraged and grounded by the simple words of
28 gratitude from citizens, Sergeant Darby, who considers himself an
29 average guy with a tremendous desire to perform his task well,
30 enjoys his leisure time gardening with his wife, Kim; and

31 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to commend
32 excellence in the performance of our state's keepers of law, such
33 as Sergeant Darby, whose zeal for compliance with the laws of the
34 State of Mississippi has enabled him to achieve this great
35 accomplishment:

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
37 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
38 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Sergeant
39 Dennis Darby upon being named Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol's
40 State Trooper of the Year and extend our warmest wishes for
41 continued safety and success in all his future endeavors.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
43 furnished to Sergeant Dennis Darby and to the members of the
44 Capitol Press Corps.