

By: Senator(s) Nunnelee

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 519

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
2 HOFFMANN-LA ROCHE, INC., FOR ITS CORPORATE CITIZENSHIP AND MEDICAL
3 ACHIEVEMENTS ON THE OCCASION OF THE COMPANY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY.

4 WHEREAS, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., is a leading research-based
5 healthcare company that ranks among the world's leaders in
6 pharmaceuticals and diagnostics; and

7 WHEREAS, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., with its capabilities in
8 pharmaceuticals and diagnostics, has been able to innovate across
9 the entire healthcare spectrum, from identifying disease
10 susceptibilities and disease screening in populations at risk, to
11 prevention, therapy and treatment monitoring; and

12 WHEREAS, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., today contributes to
13 Mississippi's economy, tax base, and employment rate through their
14 employment of fellow Mississippians by way of their sales and
15 professional services staff; and

16 WHEREAS, 2005 marks the 100th anniversary of Hoffmann-La
17 Roche, Inc., in the United States; and

18 WHEREAS, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., over its 100-year history
19 in this country, has ushered in such medical, and social
20 innovations as:

- 21 • important medicines for diseases including cancer,
22 HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, and critical pharmaceuticals to
23 safeguard the American people in the event of a flu
24 pandemic;
- 25 • novel diagnostics that benefit people with diabetes,
26 heart disease, and cancer; and

27 • one of the first of the United States pharmaceutical
28 industries first formal indigent patient programs, and
29 groundbreaking social innovations, such as the first
30 corporate-sponsored child care center in America; and

31 WHEREAS, in marking this milestone, the company and its
32 approximately 10,000 employees in this country, celebrate and
33 renew their long-standing commitment to extending and improving
34 people's lives throughout the United States and around the world;
35 and

36 WHEREAS, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., as one of the first
37 companies in the United States to initiate a Corporate Giving
38 Program, has long believed that business can help make a
39 difference in society and that social responsibility is a key
40 strategic component of exemplary business practice; and

41 WHEREAS, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., integrates corporate
42 citizenship with the company's business goals through community
43 involvement, relationship building, charitable contributions, and
44 external partnerships, in such ways as support for health
45 promotion and education, organ donation awareness, HIV-prevention
46 education, HCV-prevention education, and employee volunteering:

47 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
48 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
49 we do hereby commend and congratulate Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., for
50 its corporate citizenship and medical achievements on the occasion
51 of the company's 100th anniversary, and extend the best wishes of
52 the Legislature on its future public health endeavors.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be forwarded to
54 the President of Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., and be made available to
55 the Capitol Press Corps.