By: Representatives Espy, Whittington, Buck, To: Rules Banks, Hines, Perkins

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MRS. 1 PAM CHATMAN FOR BEING THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN NEWS DIRECTOR 2 3 NOMINATED AS ONE OF MISSISSIPPI'S MOST INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE. 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Pam Chatman has been nominated as one of 5 Mississippi's Most Influential People; and WHEREAS, Mrs. Chatman is the first African American female 6 news director in the state, as well as the first African American 7 8 female news director employed by her company, WABG; and 9 WHEREAS, she has received great recognition for her professional achievements from Mahogany Magazine when she was 10 named one of the "Top 50 Black Women on the Move" and named as one 11 12 of the top 50 women in business by the Business Journal Magazine; 13 and WHEREAS, in addition to her fantastic professional 14 15 achievements, Mrs. Chatman is the founder and CEO of "Empowering 16 U" Mentoring Program, a community service organization designed to increase the self-esteem of youth in the community; and 17 18 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to recognize and commend the excellence and contributions of such a 19 20 great Mississippian as Mrs. Pam Chatman: 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING 22 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Pam Chatman 23 for being the first African American news director nominated as 24 one of Mississippi's Most Influential People. 25

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 27 furnished to Mrs. Pam Chatman and to the members of the Capitol 28 Press Corps.