By: Representatives Thomas, Huddleston, Norquist, Whittington

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 36

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING BRUCE BRUMFIELD UPON RECEIVING THE 1 2005 HARRY S. BAKER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD FOR COTTON. 2 3 WHEREAS, Bruce Brumfield, a former National Cotton Council 4 (NCC) president and cotton producer from Inverness, Mississippi, recently received the 2005 Harry S. Baker Distinguished Service 5 Award for Cotton, presented at the NCC's 2006 annual meeting in 6 7 Tucson, Arizona; and 8 WHEREAS, named for the late California industry leader and 9 NCC president, the award is presented each year to a person who has provided extraordinary service, leadership and dedication to 10 11 the United States cotton industry; and WHEREAS, a partner in Brumfield Plantation and FTB Farms, Mr. 12 Brumfield is also Vice President of Duncan Gin, Inc., in 13 14 Inverness; and WHEREAS, a past chairman of the NCC's produce steering 15 committee and past President of the Delta Council and Mississippi 16 Cattleman's Association, Mr. Brumfield became chairman of the NCC 17 board in 1995 after serving as the council's president in 1994; 18 19 and 20 WHEREAS, currently serving as a director for Staplcotn Cooperative, the Community Bank of Indianola, Delta Pride Catfish 21 22 and Delta Western, Inc., Mr. Brumfield was one of 11 members to 23 the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture; and WHEREAS, the 21st Century Commission presented a 24 25 comprehensive report to President Bush and Congress on the status 26 of United States production agriculture after the FAIR Act; and

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27 WHEREAS, to his accomplishments, Mr. Brumfield was named 28 Progressive Farmer's Mississippi Man of the Year in Agriculture in 29 1999 and Mississippi State University's College of Agriculture and 30 Life Sciences alumni fellow in 2001; and

31 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to 32 recognize and commend the success of Mississippians such as Mr. 33 Brumfield, whose significant contributions to the agricultural 34 industry have not gone without recognition:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Bruce Brumfield upon receiving the 2005 Harry S. Baker Distinguished Service Award for Cotton and extend our best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 41 furnished to Mr. Bruce Brumfield and to the members of the Capitol 42 Press Corps.