

By: Senator(s) Michel

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 577

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING BILLY
2 CHADWICK, STAR TENNIS PLAYER AND COACH FROM JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI,
3 UPON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE MISSISSIPPI SPORTS HALL OF FAME, CLASS
4 OF 2006.

5 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame has unveiled its
6 Class of 2006 which features Billy Chadwick from Jackson,
7 Mississippi, star Belhaven College tennis player and tennis coach
8 for the Ole Miss Rebels; and

9 WHEREAS, Billy Chadwick is a Jackson, Mississippi, native who
10 was a star tennis player at Belhaven College and an acclaimed
11 championship collegiate tennis coach for the Ole Miss Rebels; and

12 WHEREAS, Billy was a superb high school player at Wingfield
13 High School in Jackson who won Mississippi High School
14 Championships in 1970, was a four-year letterman at Belhaven
15 College from 1970-1974 coached by Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame
16 member, Charlie Rugg; and

17 WHEREAS, he began his coaching career in 1979 as Head Coach
18 of the Ole Miss Lady Rebels and took over Rebel men's program in
19 1983; he is one of only seven active NCAA Division 1 coaches to
20 lead a team to the NCAA Tennis Championship Finals; in 26 years as
21 Head Coach of the Ole Miss Tennis Team (longest tenured coach in
22 school history), he has led the Rebel netters to the NCAA
23 Championship Tennis Tournament 14 times, including four
24 appearances in the NCAA Final Four (1995, 1997, 1999 and 2005);
25 and

26 WHEREAS, he has guided the Rebels to SEC Team Championships
27 on four occasions (1996, 1997, 2004 and 2005); his SEC title
28 totals at Ole Miss rank with Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame

29 members Tom Swayze (4 in baseball) and Johnny Vaught (6 in
30 football); he coached the Rebel netters to a record of 380-193;
31 overall, Chadwick's Ole Miss teams have appeared in the NCAA Sweet
32 Sixteen 11 times, the NCAA Elite Eight 7 times, and the NCAA Final
33 Four 4 times; his netters have won four consecutive SEC Western
34 Division crowns, along with the four SEC titles; and

35 WHEREAS, Coach Chadwick has coached 44 All-SEC players, 17
36 All-Americans, 18 Academic All-Americans, 47 NCAA qualifiers, 6
37 SEC individual champions, 5 players ranked No. 1 in the nation and
38 3 Rolex Collegiate All-Star team members during the last 15 years
39 at Ole Miss; and

40 WHEREAS, under Chadwick, Ole Miss has finished the season
41 among the nation's Top 10 college tennis programs 11 times in the
42 last 12 years; and

43 WHEREAS, Billy was named SEC Coach of the Year in 1996 and
44 2004 and was inducted into the Belhaven College Athletic Hall of
45 Fame in 2000; and

46 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
47 outstanding athlete and coach who has brought honor to his
48 community, his university and to the State of Mississippi:

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
50 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
51 we do hereby commend and congratulate Billy Chadwick, star tennis
52 player and acclaimed tennis coach from Jackson, Mississippi, upon
53 his induction into the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame, Class of
54 2006, and wish him and his family continued success in all their
55 future endeavors.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
57 Coach Chadwick at induction ceremonies, and be made available to
58 the Capitol Press Corps.