

By: Senator(s) Michel

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 579

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING RAYMOND  
2 BROWN, ALL-AMERICAN, ALL-SEC AND NFL FOOTBALL STAR FROM  
3 GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, UPON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE MISSISSIPPI  
4 SPORTS HALL OF FAME, CLASS OF 2006.

5 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame has unveiled the  
6 Class of 2006, which features Raymond Brown from Greenville,  
7 Mississippi, All-American and All-SEC football star for the Ole  
8 Miss Rebels and championship NFL football star for the Baltimore  
9 Colts; and

10 WHEREAS, Raymond Brown, outstanding All-SEC football star,  
11 who played on championship teams with the Ole Miss Rebels and the  
12 NFL's Baltimore Colts, was born in Clarksdale, Mississippi, and  
13 raised in Greenville, Mississippi, where he earned 11 letters in  
14 athletics in four sports (football, baseball, basketball and  
15 track); and

16 WHEREAS, he was two-time All-American and All-State selection  
17 at Greenville High School and a member of the Wigwam Wiseman and  
18 *Scholastic* magazine, 1953 First Team All-American Team, an All Big  
19 Eight two-way player who led Greenville to 1953s Big Eight State  
20 Championship and was named Big Eight MVP; and

21 WHEREAS, he lettered in two sports (football and baseball) at  
22 Ole Miss from 1954-1957, was coached by Mississippi Sports Hall of  
23 Fame member Johnny Vaught and helped the Rebels compile a  
24 three-year record of 26-5-1, including a 14-13 win over Texas  
25 Christian University in the 1956 Cotton Bowl, a 39-7 win over  
26 Texas in the 1958 Sugar Bowl, and the 1955 SEC Championship; and

27 WHEREAS, Raymond was a member of the 1956 baseball squad that  
28 played in the College World Series, led the SEC in passing and

29 total offense in consecutive seasons and was named First Team  
30 All-SEC by United Press International, second team All-SEC by  
31 Associated Press and International News Service in 1957; and

32 WHEREAS, he was the only unanimous MVP in the history of the  
33 Sugar Bowl and a member of the All-Time Sugar Bowl Team  
34 (1955-1962), his famed 92-yard run in the Sugar Bowl is still a  
35 record, he played in the 1958 Senior Bowl and the 1958 Chicago  
36 All-Star game; and

37 WHEREAS, Brown was drafted by the Baltimore Colts in the  
38 fifth round (50th overall pick) in the 1958 NFL Draft, Raymond  
39 played three seasons in the NFL as defensive back, quarterback,  
40 punter and kick holder from 1958 through 1960; and

41 WHEREAS, he was a member of two NFL championship teams as the  
42 Colts defeated the New York Giants in the 1958 and 1959 NFL title  
43 games; and

44 WHEREAS, he was the youngest person to ever serve as  
45 President of The Mississippi Bar; and

46 WHEREAS, Raymond is a member of the Ole Miss Athletic Hall of  
47 Fame (1988) and the Ole Miss Alumni Hall of Fame (2000); and

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

51 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
52 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
53 we do hereby commend and congratulate Raymond Brown, All-American,  
54 All-SEC and NFL football star from Greenville, Mississippi, upon  
55 his induction into the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame, Class of  
56 2006, and wish him and his family continued success in all their  
57 future endeavors.

58 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
59 Raymond Brown at induction ceremonies, and be made available to  
60 the Capitol Press Corps.