

By: Senator(s) Michel, Dawkins, Frazier,
Gollott, Jackson (11th), Mettetal, Moffatt,
Robertson

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.