

By: Senator(s) Pickering, Thames, King,
Carmichael, Walley, Lee (35th)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 630

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LEGACY OF PUBLIC
2 SERVICE OF DR. RONALD ESTES WHITEHEAD ON THE OCCASION OF HIS
3 RETIREMENT AS PRESIDENT OF JONES COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Ronald Estes Whitehead has announced his
5 retirement after 36 years of dedicated service to Jones County
6 Junior College, nine of which he served as the fourth President of
7 the institution; and

8 WHEREAS, President Whitehead facilitated Jones County Junior
9 College in the continued growth of the Jones County Junior College
10 Foundation and Alumni Association; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Ronald Estes Whitehead has brought \$10.5 Million
12 in federal grants to Jones County Junior College; and

13 WHEREAS, he has contributed his efforts as a member of
14 numerous professional organizations. He was honored as one of the
15 Outstanding Educators of America. He has been a respected member
16 of the Gulf Regional Interstate Intercollegiate Consortium, the
17 State Workforce Advisory Board, and the Mississippi State
18 Accrediting Commission; and

19 WHEREAS, his civic contributions to the community and state
20 are a matter of records; Lions Club, the Mississippi Educational
21 Television Authority, Laurel Community Concert Association, the
22 Laurel and Jones County Economic Authority, Boy Scouts, Salvation
23 Army, United Givers Fund; and the coach for the local and All-Star
24 Dixie Youth Baseball League; and

25 WHEREAS, he has advanced the educational mission of Jones
26 County Junior College through providing workforce training to
27 numerous Mississippians, and supported the philosophy that anyone

28 who wanted to attend college would not be denied an education
29 solely on the basis of financial limitations. He has been
30 instrumental in providing a means for all dedicated students to
31 realize educational opportunities in our state:

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
33 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
34 we do hereby commend the legacy of public service of Dr. Ronald
35 Estes Whitehead on the occasion of his retirement as President of
36 Jones County Junior College and we extend the best wishes of the
37 Legislature to him and his family in their future endeavors.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
39 Dr. Whitehead and be made available to members of the Capitol
40 Press Corps.