

By: Senator(s) Thomas

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE OUTSTANDING CIVIC AND
2 HUMANITARIAN INVOLVEMENT OF GRIFFIN NORQUIST, JR., CHIEF EXECUTIVE
3 OFFICER OF THE BANK OF YAZOO CITY, MISSISSIPPI.

4 WHEREAS, Griffin Norquist, Jr., Chief Executive Officer of
5 the Bank of Yazoo City, Mississippi, has built a statewide
6 reputation for civic and humanitarian involvement; and

7 WHEREAS, Norquist has served Delta Council as President, Vice
8 President, Membership Chairman and Chairman of its Highways and
9 Transportation Committee; and

10 WHEREAS, he is a 1969 graduate of the University of
11 Mississippi and life member of the University of Mississippi
12 Alumni Association. Norquist is a graduate of the Graduate School
13 of Banking at Louisiana State University. He is a past chairman
14 of the MBA State Legislative Committee and formerly served on the
15 Financial Institutions Committee for the Federal Reserve Bank of
16 Atlanta; and

17 WHEREAS, his civic involvement includes service as a past
18 president of the Yazoo County Chamber of Commerce, the Yazoo City
19 Lions Club, the Yazoo County Red Cross, the Catholic Foundation of
20 Mississippi and the Yazoo County Chapter of the University of
21 Mississippi Alumni Association. He is past chairman of the
22 Federal Prison Project for Yazoo County and currently Chairman of
23 the Greater Yazoo Growth and Industrial Foundation. He won the
24 "Spirit of Yazoo" Award in 1993 given by the Yazoo Chamber of
25 Commerce and South Central Bell; and

26 WHEREAS, Griffin was named to participate in the 1977
27 Mississippi Economic Council's nationally recognized leadership

28 program for young leaders under 35 years old. That year Governor
29 Haley Barbour and Senator Joseph C. Thomas were his classmates;
30 and

31 WHEREAS, Griffin served on the Inaugural Committee for
32 Governor Haley Barbour in 2004 and commenced the preinaugural
33 events by giving the keynote address and introducing the newly
34 elected Governor and his wife to the hometown folks at the Yazoo
35 City National Guard Armory on Thursday, January 8, 2004; and

36 WHEREAS, Norquist and his wife, Jane, have two children; and

37 WHEREAS, Griffin's civic and charitable contributions to many
38 non-for-profit organizations in Mississippi is a matter of record,
39 both through support from the bank and his personal contributions,
40 many of which are anonymous; and

41 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the many
42 years of civic and humanitarian contributions of this
43 Mississippian who serves as a role model for all citizens of our
44 state:

45 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
46 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the outstanding civic and
47 humanitarian involvement of Griffin Norquist, Jr., Chief Executive
48 Officer of the Bank of Yazoo City, Mississippi, and extend to him
49 and his family the best wishes of the Mississippi Senate in their
50 future endeavors.

51 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
52 Griffin Norquist, Jr., and be made available to the Capitol Press
53 Corps.