MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

To: Rules

By: Senator(s) Jackson (11th), Mettetal, Dearing, Dawkins, Carmichael, Michel, Frazier, Morgan, Thomas, Tollison, Butler, Wilemon, Kirby, Little, Jackson (32nd), Jordan, White, Brown, Burton, King

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING TOMMIEA P. JACKSON 2 OF MARKS, MISSISSIPPI, *EBONY* MAGAZINE "2006 YOUNG LEADER OF THE 3 FUTURE."

WHEREAS, Marks, Mississippi, native Tommiea P. Jackson has been named one of *Ebony*'s 2006 Young Leaders of the Future, a list of 30 leaders under 30 years of age; and

7 WHEREAS, Tommiea Jackson, 28, is currently the Senior
8 Information Officer of Public Relations for Jackson State
9 University. However, her roots are steeped in the Mississippi
10 Delta, including a tenure as Staff Writer for the Clarksdale Press
11 Register in 2002-2003; and

12 WHEREAS, the February issue of *Ebony* identifies "talented, 13 educated, young black men and women, who are soaring to tremendous 14 heights and making accomplishments in the areas of law, politics, 15 religion, communications, academia, music, arts and 16 entertainment." The magazine noted the 30 hand-picked young 17 leaders had impressive credentials and "represent the enormous 18 talent and promise of generations to come"; and

19 WHEREAS, Jackson, one of two Mississippians chosen, has an 20 impressive resumé as former President of the Theta Phi Chapter of 21 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and member of the National 22 Association of Black Journalists; and

WHEREAS, she also assisted in the successful bid of her uncle, Robert L. Jackson, to the Mississippi State Senate; and WHEREAS, a graduate of Rust College and the University of Mississippi, Jackson said she grew up with an inkling for journalism. She said her current position at Jackson State was

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the biggest accomplishment of her career. "It's an awesome 28 29 responsibility to be responsible for making sure the world knows 30 about the great things happening at Jackson State," she said; and WHEREAS, Tommiea said growing up in the Mississippi Delta 31 32 taught her a lot of positive things that she will always keep with 33 "I like to be called 'country' because you feel very her. down-to-earth. I have a very large family there and I really 34 appreciate how real and honest they are. They're very supportive 35 and always keep me grounded"; and 36

37 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the 38 accomplishments of this talented young adult and rising citizen, 39 and we will follow her future contributions to her community and 40 to the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Miss Tommiea P. Jackson, a native of Marks, Mississippi, upon her receipt of *Ebony* Magazine "2006 Young Leader of the Future" Award, and extend to her and her family the best wishes of the Senate in her future endeavors.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to 48 Tommiea Jackson and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.