

By: Representative Young

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 135

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AND THE MERIDIAN
2 PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON OBTAINING A 71% VOTER APPROVAL ON ITS \$19.5
3 MILLION SCHOOL BOND ELECTION TO IMPROVE ITS PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

4 WHEREAS, Meridian residents, as well as those who live in the
5 Meridian Separate School District, voted in favor of a \$19.5
6 million school bond by an overwhelming 71%; and

7 WHEREAS, the four major areas targeted for funding by the
8 bond include, air conditioning for all cafeterias, renovating
9 schools, implementing small learning communities at Meridian High
10 School, and a new, separate, state-of-the-art building for the
11 ninth grade on the campus of Meridian High School that will
12 provide more opportunity for effective and expanded learning; and

13 WHEREAS, the initial bond request was a result of an 18-month
14 study of the district's future needs by the Framing our Future
15 task force, which is composed of nearly 60 parents, teachers,
16 principals and a diverse cross-section of citizens; and

17 WHEREAS, school officials, as well as parents, community
18 leaders, and other interested individuals have worked diligently
19 by going door-to-door distributing pamphlets and meeting with
20 civic clubs and other groups getting "the word" out; and

21 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
22 recognize those committed to improving the public schools of our
23 state:

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
25 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
26 commend the City of Meridian and the Meridian Public Schools upon

27 the occasion of obtaining a 71% voter approval on its \$19.5
28 million school bond election to improve its public schools.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
30 furnished to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.