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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 555

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
 2 MISSISSIPPI STATE TREASURER TATE REEVES FOR HIS ELECTION AS
 3 PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE TREASURERS (NAST).

4 WHEREAS, Mississippi State Treasurer Tate Reeves was named
 5 the President of the National Association of State Treasurers
 6 (NAST) on December 1, 2006. In March 2006, Reeves had been
 7 elected Senior Vice President of NAST, which put him in line to
 8 become the next President; and

9 WHEREAS, Tate Reeves has been actively involved in the
 10 association since his swearing in as Mississippi's Treasurer in
 11 January 2004. Reeves was nominated for the position from a group
 12 of his peers representing the Southern State Treasurers. Reeves
 13 was sworn into his position at the NAST Treasury Management
 14 Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana; and

15 WHEREAS, the National Association of State Treasurers,
 16 founded in 1976, is an organization of state financial leaders.
 17 NAST membership is composed of all State Treasurers, or state
 18 finance officials with comparable responsibilities, from the
 19 United States, its commonwealths, territories and the District of
 20 Columbia. NAST is recognized as a national force whose work has
 21 influenced public policy at both the state and federal levels.
 22 NAST is instrumental in developing and promoting standards of
 23 excellence regarding ethical conduct, policy guidelines and
 24 accountability, and model legislation and regulations; and

25 WHEREAS, "It is an honor to be elected to the leadership of
 26 this prestigious organization by a bipartisan group of my peers,"
 27 said Reeves. "NAST plays an important policy-setting role at the

28 state and national levels. I am very pleased to have the
29 opportunity to work on issues vital to financial policy in all 50
30 states while providing a voice for Mississippi at this critical
31 time in our history"; and

32 WHEREAS, Tate Reeves was elected as Mississippi's 53rd
33 Treasurer on November 4, 2003. Currently, Treasurer Reeves is the
34 youngest State Treasurer serving in the country and the youngest
35 statewide elected official in Mississippi. He is also the first
36 Republican Treasurer in the state's history; and

37 WHEREAS, Tate is a Rankin County native and a graduate of
38 Florence High School. He is an honors graduate of Millsaps
39 College and holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics. While at
40 Millsaps, he played point guard for the Millsaps Majors basketball
41 team. Tate has continued to be an active alumnus and remains
42 involved with his alma mater by serving as a member of the
43 Investment Policy Board for the Millsaps College General Louis
44 Wilson Fund; and

45 WHEREAS, prior to becoming Treasurer, Tate was a member of
46 the Trustmark Investment Strategy Committee and served as an
47 Assistant Vice President for AmSouth, formerly known as Deposit
48 Guaranty National Bank. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst
49 designation (CFA). Tate is also a member of the CFA Society of
50 Mississippi and is a member of the CFA Institute, an organization
51 that leads the investment industry by setting the highest
52 standards of ethics and professional excellence. In 1996, he was
53 the recipient of the Mississippi Society of Financial Analysts
54 Award; and

55 WHEREAS, Tate currently serves as Chairman of the Investment
56 Committee and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Public
57 Employees' Retirement System (PERS) of Mississippi. Tate also
58 serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the College
59 Savings Plans of Mississippi and the Health Care Trust Fund; and

60 WHEREAS, Tate and his wife Elee Williams Reeves, a Tylertown
61 native, are the proud parents of one daughter, Sarah Tyler.
62 Currently, the Reeves family attends Galloway Memorial United
63 Methodist Church, where Elee and Tate serve as Co-Chairman of the
64 2006 Capital Campaign. They have been very committed to many
65 civic and charitable organizations in Mississippi, including the
66 Mississippi Society of Disabilities, UMC Children's Cancer Clinic,
67 Middle Mississippi Girl Scout Council, Boys & Girls Club of
68 Mississippi, Stewpot Ministries, the Exchange Club Parent Child
69 Center, and the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra. In addition, Tate
70 is currently serving as the 2006 State Chairman for the United Way
71 and as a member of the YMCA Finance Committee; and

72 WHEREAS, this a great honor for Mississippi and well-deserved
73 recognition for Tate Reeves, who is playing a major role in the
74 State of Mississippi's retention of its favorable bond rating in
75 the wake of Hurricane Katrina, and ensuring that Mississippi
76 remains fiscally strong:

77 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
78 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
79 we do hereby commend and congratulate Mississippi State Treasurer
80 Tate Reeves for his election as President of the National
81 Association of State Treasurers (NAST), and for his national
82 leadership role by his peers which reflects well on our state, and
83 we extend our best wishes to him and his family in their future
84 endeavors.

85 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
86 State Treasurer Tate Reeves and be made available to the Capitol
87 Press Corps.