

By: Senator(s) Frazier

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING SOLLIE B. NORWOOD  
2 FOR RECEIVING THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE COMMUNITY SERVICES  
3 PROGRAMS 2007 "ANN KAGIE" AWARD.

4 WHEREAS, the National Association of State Community Services  
5 Programs (NASPCSP) has announced that the recipient of the 2007 Ann  
6 Kagie Award is Sollie B. Norwood, Division Director for Community  
7 Services at the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS).  
8 Each year the NASPCSP presents the Ann Kagie Award to recognize a  
9 partner who has made outstanding and significant contributions to  
10 Community Services Block Grant Programs; and

11 WHEREAS, Sollie Norwood joined the Mississippi Department of  
12 Human Services in 1988. He is a graduate of Jackson State  
13 University with a Masters Degree in Guidance and Counseling.  
14 Norwood also is a member of the National Association for State  
15 Community Services Programs. He is a member of the Jackson Public  
16 School Board and a former Jackson Parent of the Year; and

17 WHEREAS, during his tenure at MDHS, he has implemented the  
18 Responsible Fatherhood Initiative for which he is an avid  
19 supporter. In addition, Norwood was instrumental during the  
20 creation of MS ROMA, a nationally recognized client tracking  
21 system; and

22 WHEREAS, NASPCSP is a professional association for state  
23 administrators of the Community Services Block Grant Program  
24 (CSBG) which is a federal antipoverty block grant program. CSBG  
25 funds operations of the state-administered network of local  
26 agencies that create, coordinate, and deliver programs and  
27 services to low-income Americans. CSBG services include

28 weatherization, energy assistance, child care, nutrition,  
29 employment assistance and housing in urban, suburban and rural  
30 communities; and

31 WHEREAS, prior recipients of the Ann Kagie Award include  
32 Bingham Pope, Manager of Program Evaluation at the University of  
33 Tennessee; Lois J. Carson, CCAP, Executive Director of Riverside  
34 County Department of Community Action; and Representative David  
35 Obey of Wisconsin; and

36 WHEREAS, the awards ceremony was held at the NASCSP  
37 Mid-Winter Training Conference in Washington, D.C., February 16,  
38 2007; and

39 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the service  
40 of this dedicated state employee whose work has brought honor to  
41 his agency and to the State of Mississippi:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
43 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Sollie B.  
44 Norwood for receiving the National Association of State Community  
45 Services Programs 2007 Ann Kagie Award for his significant  
46 contributions to community services programs, and extend to him  
47 and his family our best wishes in his future excellent public  
48 service efforts.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
50 Sollie Norwood and forwarded to the Executive Director of the  
51 Department of Human Services and be made available to the Capitol  
52 Press Corps.