MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Wilson

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 110

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE IMPRESSIVE CAREER ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2 OF DR. FANASY DEMING-JEFCOAT AND CONGRATULATING HER UPON BEING 3 HONORED AS THE 2017 DENTAL ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR.

WHEREAS, Dr. Fanasy Deming-Jefcoat was honored with the
distinguished title of 2017 Dental Alumnus of the Year; and
WHEREAS, upon hearing the news of this great honor, she was
completely surprised, because this honor usually is bestowed upon
someone much farther along in their career; and

9 WHEREAS, a native of southern Louisiana, she received her 10 bachelor of science in biology at Mississippi College before 11 attending dental school at the University of Mississippi Medical 12 Center (UMMC), and went on to Baylor College of Dentistry to earn 13 her masters and a certificate of periodontics; and

14 WHEREAS, her toughest challenge was starting her own dental 15 practice in Madison, a challenge that Dr. Deming-Jefcoat embraced 16 stating, "I feel very blessed to have established a practice and 17 relationships with other dentists"; and 18 WHEREAS, her positive experiences at UMMC as a student 19 motivated her to return as a volunteer teacher, and in 2007, she 20 officially joined UMMC as part-time faculty; and

21 WHEREAS, at UMMC, she is adored by the students and faculty, 22 as evidenced by Dr. David Felton, Dean of the School of Dentistry, 23 who says, "She's a great asset to our clinical teaching efforts in 24 her specialty area, and a terrific role model for all students, 25 and in particular, for our female students"; and

26 WHEREAS, this business owner, professor and volunteer is also 27 a wife and mother, who fulfills the needs of her family with 28 fervor and love, as she maintains a positive work-life balance; 29 and

30 WHEREAS, her passion for people and her sincere desire to 31 relieve them from pain and other dental issues drives her on a 32 daily basis; and

33 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to 34 celebrate the accomplishments of young professionals who remain in 35 this state to improve the lives of our citizens and the landscape 36 of our healthcare:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the impressive career accomplishments of Dr. Fanasy Deming-Jefcoat and congratulate her upon being honored as the 2017 Dental Alumnus of the Year.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 43 furnished to Dr. Fanasy Deming-Jefcoat, to the University of 44 Mississippi Medical Center and to the members of the Capitol Press 45 Corps.

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