

By: Senator(s) Michel

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 522

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE 25 EAGLE SCOUTS
2 FROM THE 2016-2017 SENIOR CLASS AT JACKSON ACADEMY AND COMMENDING
3 THE IMPORTANT SCOUTING TRADITION AT THIS EXCELLENT INSTITUTION.

4 WHEREAS, twenty-five members of the 2016-2017 Senior Class at
5 Jackson Academy have attained the coveted rank of Eagle Scout; and

6 WHEREAS, on average, fewer than 4% of all Scouts reach this
7 honor. To receive the Eagle Medal, a Scout must earn 22 merit
8 badges. Mandatory badges include three for citizenship and one
9 each for camping, communications, lifesaving, environmental
10 science, first aid, personal fitness/sports, personal management,
11 safety and family life; and

12 WHEREAS, being an Eagle Scout teaches you life skills: 64%
13 of Air Force Academy graduates were Scouts; 63% of West Point
14 graduates were Scouts; 77% of Annapolis graduates were Scouts; 72%
15 of all Rhodes Scholars were Scouts; 85% of all FBI agents were
16 Scouts; and 57% of the first 65 astronauts were Scouts; and

17 WHEREAS, for every 100 boys who join a Boy Scout troop: 12
18 will have their first contact with a church; one will enter the



19 clergy; 8 will enter a career that was learned through the merit
20 badge system; one will use his Boy Scout skills to save a life;
21 one will use his Boy Scout skills to save his own life; 17 will
22 become scouting volunteers; and two will become Eagle Scouts; and

23 WHEREAS, Jackson Academy Senior Eagle Scouts and staff are:
24 Douglas Noble, Brent Butler, James McLemore, Don Waller, Travis
25 Rogers, Dolph Maxwell, Jeff Anderton, Caleb Canterbury, Cliff
26 Kling, Harris McLemore, Preston McWilliams, Charlie Gautier,
27 Phillip Talley, Blake Mills, Drake Warman, Mason Glaze, Garner
28 Cheney, Jarvon Gaines, Will Spence, Kenneth Neimeyer, Brandon
29 Miller, Logan Thomas, Conner Hipps, Will Laird, Trussell Jones,
30 Nelson Thomas, Walker Fielder and John Eric Clark; and

31 WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America has been at the forefront
32 of instilling timeless values in youth since its founding in 1910.
33 For 100 years, the Boy Scouts of America has inspired millions of
34 American youth by creating a strong foundation of leadership,
35 service and community; and

36 WHEREAS, Jackson Academy has many Eagle Scouts because this
37 school is very rich in scouting traditions. At Jackson Academy,
38 it's an "in" thing to be a Scout; and

39 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these young
40 Mississippians, whose dedication to the traditions of scouting,
41 self-discipline, determination and leadership demonstrate a
42 dedication to citizenship and patriotism:



43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
44 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
45 we do hereby congratulate the 25 Eagle Scouts from the 2016-2017
46 Senior Class at Jackson Academy, commend the important scouting
47 tradition at this excellent institution and wish these young men
48 continued success in their future scouting, academic and civic
49 service endeavors.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
51 the 25 Jackson Academy Eagle Scouts and their families, to Troop
52 Scoutmasters, and to the Headmaster of Jackson Academy, and made
53 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

