

By: Senator(s) Michel, Barnett, To: Rules  
Frazier, Jackson (32nd), Kirby

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20

1 A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE 25 EAGLE SCOUTS FROM THE  
2 2016-2017 SENIOR CLASS AT JACKSON ACADEMY AND COMMENDING THE  
3 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, That we do hereby congratulate the 25 Eagle Scouts  
45   from the 2016-2017 Senior Class at Jackson Academy, commend the  
46   important scouting tradition at this excellent institution, and  
47   wish these young men continued success in their future scouting,  
48   academic and civic service endeavors.

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

