

By: Senator(s) Branning, Barnett, Burton,
Dearing, Jackson (32nd), McMahan

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 553

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NESHOPA COUNTY BEEF
2 CATTLE AND DAIRY FARMER MARLO BEASON AS THE 2017 MISSISSIPPI FARM
3 BUREAU FEDERATION "FARM WOMAN OF THE YEAR."

4 WHEREAS, Neshoba County Beef Cattle and Dairy Farmer Marlo
5 Beason has been named 2017 Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation
6 (MFBF) Farm Woman of the Year. The announcement was made prior to
7 State Convention activities. She was selected from entries from
8 around the state; and

9 WHEREAS, a dedicated volunteer leader, Marlo said she
10 appreciates the many ways Farm Bureau supports our nation's
11 farmers, especially its efforts to carry the farmer's story to the
12 general public. Through the years, she has worked with the
13 Women's Ag in the Classroom and Young Farmers and Ranchers
14 programs, as well as the Farm Families of Mississippi Agriculture
15 Promotion Campaign; and

16 WHEREAS, being a part of a great organization like Farm
17 Bureau helps farmers educate the public about what we do for them
18 every single day," she said. "Farmers provide American consumers



19 with access to an abundant, safe and affordable supply of food,
20 fiber and fuel. In turn, food security gives Americans a chance
21 to choose to follow their individual dreams to be whatever they
22 want to be. This is cause for celebration"; and

23 WHEREAS, although she did not grow up on a farm, Marlo often
24 visited her grandparents' farms, which had cows and vegetable
25 gardens. She learned to appreciate agriculture. When Marlo
26 married Shelby Beason, she became a full-time farmer and she could
27 not imagine a better place than a farm to live, work and raise
28 their children. The Beasons have three children: Cole, Micaela,
29 and Landon; and her husband, Shelby, serves as Vice President of
30 Neshoba County Farm Bureau; and

31 WHEREAS, in recent years, the Beasons added a small dairy to
32 their beef cattle and custom hay-harvesting operation. Marlo has
33 her farm chores, as do all of the Beason family members. In
34 recent years, she has also stepped up her agricultural volunteer
35 work. She reads at kindergartens and daycares each morning for
36 the two weeks leading up to the Neshoba County Ag Appreciation Day
37 Expo held at the Neshoba County Coliseum in Philadelphia. The
38 event is sponsored by the Neshoba County Farm Bureau; and

39 WHEREAS, Marlo is a longtime county Farm Bureau Women's
40 Chair, a former State Young Farmers and Rancher (YF&R) Committee
41 member and a regional winner of the Young Farmers and Ranchers
42 (YF&R) Achievement Award contest. Shelby serves as Vice President
43 of Neshoba County Farm Bureau. Marlo and her husband regularly



44 host field days on their farm, where school kids learn all about
45 dairying and agriculture; and

46 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation Farm Woman of
47 the Year Award was established to recognize, encourage and reward
48 the achievements of women farmers. The recipient personifies the
49 highest level of professional excellence in agriculture, and it is
50 with great pride that we join the Mississippi Farm Bureau in
51 commending a Mississippi citizen whose enormous civic energy is an
52 example to the Mississippi agricultural industry:

53 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
54 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
55 we do hereby recognize Neshoba County Beef Cattle and Dairy Farmer
56 Marlo Beason as the 2017 Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation "Farm
57 Woman of the Year," and extend to Marlo and her family our best
58 wishes for future success.

59 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
60 Marlo Beason, forwarded to the Mississippi Farm Bureau, and made
61 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

