

By: Senator(s) Harkins, Parker

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 597

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEBRUARY 20, 2018, AS
2 HIGHER EDUCATION APPRECIATION DAY, WORKING FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
3 (HEADWAE), AND SETTING THAT DAY APART AS A SPECIAL DAY TO
4 CONGRATULATE AND EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 FACULTY AND STUDENTS OF MISSISSIPPI'S PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
6 UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOR THEIR
7 OUTSTANDING INSTRUCTIONAL GUIDANCE AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE.

8 WHEREAS, meaningful economic, political and social
9 advancement and, in general, improvement of one's quality of life,
10 is undoubtedly heavily dependent upon and directly correlates with
11 the superior mental training and skills which higher education
12 offers and develops; and

13 WHEREAS, the people of Mississippi have reason to take
14 special pride in the vigorous commitment to excellence in higher
15 education which our public and private universities, colleges and
16 community colleges continually demonstrate year after year,
17 fostering, developing and promoting the discovery, transmission
18 and preservation of knowledge for present and future generations
19 of Mississippians; and



20 WHEREAS, as proof of the benefits and rewards engendered by
21 our state's public and private institutions of higher learning,
22 one need only observe the large number of productive, responsible
23 and accomplished individuals throughout our state, nation and the
24 world who have pursued and received their formal education and
25 training at one or more of these fine Mississippi institutions;
26 and

27 WHEREAS, the success and accomplishments of our state's
28 system of higher education is in large measure attributable to the
29 exceptional academic guidance and training of learned and
30 distinguished instructors who have dedicated themselves to
31 providing a quality of education second to none; and

32 WHEREAS, the superior quality of educational instruction has
33 permitted our institutions of higher learning to successfully
34 attract and retain some of the brightest and most academically
35 talented students in the nation; and

36 WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Mississippi believes
37 that it is most appropriate to pay special tribute to and bring
38 deserved recognition and attention to those educational
39 instructors and students of our state's public and private
40 universities, colleges and community colleges who exemplify
41 exceptional instructional skills and outstanding academic
42 achievement:

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 officially designate February 20, 2018, as Higher
46 Education Appreciation Day, Working for Academic Excellence
47 (HEADWAE), setting aside that day and encouraging the
48 establishment of such a day as an annual event in order to extend
49 congratulations and express the appreciation of the Legislature
50 and all Mississippians to all of our public and private
51 institutions of higher education and the faculty members and
52 students selected by each of the respective institutions as most
53 representative of the finest traditions in educational instruction
54 and outstanding academic achievement.

55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be furnished to
56 each 2018 HEADWAE Award recipient, each of Mississippi's public
57 and private universities, colleges and community colleges, the
58 Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, the
59 Mississippi Board for Community Colleges, the Mississippi
60 Association of Independent Colleges, and made available to the
61 Capitol Press Corps.

