To: Rules

By: Senator(s) Dawkins, Jordan

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 536

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY TO PLACE A WOMAN'S FACE ON OUR PAPER CURRENCY IN

3 HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

4 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT IN 2020.

5 WHEREAS, it is time to put a woman's face on our paper

6 currency; and

WHEREAS, the only woman who has ever shown up on American

8 paper currency, not counting Lady Liberty, is Martha Washington,

9 who was on an 1886 silver certificate. She was an excellent First

10 Lady, but her exceptional fame is tied to the ancient idea that

11 the greatest women were simply the ones married to the greatest

12 men; and

13 WHEREAS, a website called "Women On 20s" has posted

14 biographies of 15 notable women in American history and invites

15 visitors to vote for a female face to replace Andrew Jackson's

16 image. The goal is to get the replacement in place by the

17 anniversary of Women's Suffrage in 2020; and

- 18 WHEREAS, the United States Treasury has not changed the faces
- 19 on the bills since 1929, when Andrew Jackson replaced Grover
- 20 Cleveland on the \$20.00 bill; and
- 21 WHEREAS, the nominees for replacements could be chosen from a
- 22 list of women by jurists who are asked to consider both
- 23 achievement and obstacles overcome, including political warriors
- 24 like Rosa Parks, Eleanor Roosevelt, Margaret Sanger, Susan B.
- 25 Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton; and
- 26 WHEREAS, the mission of "Women On 20s" is to generate an
- 27 overwhelming people's mandate for a new \$20.00 bill to be issued
- 28 in time for the 100th Anniversary in 2020 of the Constitutional
- 29 Amendment giving women the right to vote; and
- 30 WHEREAS, "Women have always been an equal part of the past.
- 31 They just haven't been part of history":
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 33 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
- 34 we do hereby urge the United States Department of the Treasury to
- 35 place a woman's face on our paper currency in honor of the 100th
- 36 Anniversary of the Women's Suffrage Constitutional Amendment in
- 37 2020.
- 38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be transmitted
- 39 by the Secretary of State to the President of the United States,
- 40 the Secretary of the United States Treasury Department, the
- 41 members of Mississippi's congressional delegation, forwarded to



- 42 the Mississippi Commission on the Status of Women, and made
- 43 available to the Capitol Press Corps.