

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Norwood, Simmons
(12th), Barnett, Blackwell, Blount, Boyd,
Chism, DeBar, Hopson, Horhn, McLendon,
Michel, Seymour, Turner-Ford, Williams,
Jackson (32nd), Simmons (13th)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 504

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING JAMES F. "TED" BOOTH
2 ON RECEIVING THE 2020 LEGISLATIVE STAFF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR HIS
3 REMARKABLE COMMITMENT TO PRODUCING THE "REDISTRICTING LAW 2020,"
4 ALSO KNOWN AS THE *RED BOOK*, THE FOURTH EDITION OF THE NATION'S
5 BEST LEGAL RESOURCE ON REDISTRICTING.

6 WHEREAS, James Frederick "Ted" Booth received the 2020
7 Legislative Staff Achievement Award from the Staff Co-Chairs of
8 the National Conference of State Legislatures' Standing Committees
9 for his remarkable commitment to producing "Redistricting Law
10 2020," also known as the *Red Book*, the Fourth Edition of the
11 nation's best legal resource on redistricting; and

12 WHEREAS, the 2020 Legislative Staff Achievement Award is
13 designed to recognize legislative staff who demonstrate excellence
14 in supporting the work of a state legislature, strengthening the
15 legislative institution and contributing to the success of the
16 NCSL and its programs; and

17 WHEREAS, Booth graduated from Callaway High School in
18 Jackson, Mississippi. He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in



19 history, a Juris Doctorate Degree from Tulane University and a
20 Master's Degree in Management from Northwestern University; and

21 WHEREAS, since 1984, Booth has been an employee of the
22 Mississippi Legislature. During that time, Booth has served as
23 the General Counsel for the Joint Legislative Committee on
24 Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review (PEER) of the
25 Mississippi Legislature, and is also Counsel to the Standing Joint
26 Legislative Committee on Reapportionment. He has also mentored
27 younger lawyers hired by PEER. Further, Booth possesses a
28 retentive mind and has an exhaustive knowledge of the Mississippi
29 Code; and

30 WHEREAS, in 2000, Booth attended NCSL's Legislative Staff
31 Management Institute. Since becoming involved in redistricting,
32 he has served as the Staff Co-Chair for the National Conference of
33 State Legislatures' Redistricting and Elections Committee three
34 times. Booth is nationally recognized as an expert on
35 redistricting and has served frequently on NCSL panels to discuss
36 the topic; and

37 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we join the National
38 Conference of State Legislatures in recognizing James F. "Ted"
39 Booth who has brought honor to the State of Mississippi and the
40 Mississippi Legislature:

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
42 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
43 we do hereby congratulate James F. "Ted" Booth on receiving the



44 2020 Legislative Staff Achievement Award for his remarkable
45 commitment to producing the "Redistricting Law 2020," also known
46 as the *Red Book*, the Fourth Edition of the nation's best legal
47 resource on redistricting.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
49 James F. "Ted" Booth and be made available to the Capital Press
50 Corp.

