MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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By: Senator(s) Hill

To: Rules

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 56

1 A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE INTENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI SENATE 2 RELATIVE TO THE PROMOTION OF RACE OR SEX STEREOTYPING OR 3 SCAPEGOATING IN VIOLATION OF THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT 4 WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence, adopted on July 4, 1776, by the Second Continental Congress, affirms that "We hold 5 these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal"; 6 7 and WHEREAS, the Gettysburg Address, delivered by President 8 9 Abraham Lincoln on November 19, 1863, confirms that "Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a 10 11 new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal; and 12 WHEREAS, the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution of the 13 14 United States, ratified on July 9, 1868, decrees that "No state 15 shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges 16 or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without 17

18 due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction 19 the equal protection of the laws"; and

20 WHEREAS, critical race theory and related ideologies 21 propagate divisive and untrue concepts that teach one race or sex 22 is inherently superior to another and that individuals of one race 23 or sex should be deprived of basic rights simply because of their 24 race or sex; and

25 WHEREAS, it is contrary to the laws of God and nature that an 26 individual's moral character is necessarily determined by his or 27 her race or sex and that that individual should thus be 28 discriminated against in the classroom the workplace or any public 29 forum or place:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Mississippi affirms its resolute opposition to the promotion of race or sex stereotyping or scapegoating and condemns the use of diverse concepts and theories that propagate such stereotyping and scapegoating.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 36 transmitted to each member of the Mississippi congressional 37 delegation and made available to Capitol Press Corps.

S. R. No. 56 **CFFICIAL ~** 21/SS08/R1265 ST: Declare the intent of Senate relative to PAGE 2 (rdd\tb) the promotion of race or sex stereotyping or scapegoating.