MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Barton

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 82

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING 2 MISSISSIPPI EXPORT RAILROAD UPON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY AND 3 DESIGNATING NOVEMBER 10, 2022, AS MISSISSIPPI EXPORT RAILROAD DAY. 4 WHEREAS, Mississippi Export Railroad is celebrating 100 extraordinary years of continued service to the State of 5 Mississippi, a true testament to its outstanding legacy of 6 providing a gateway to reliable distribution service to and from 7 8 South Mississippi and Alabama; and 9 WHEREAS, with its roots tracing back to 1894, on November 10, 1922, Mr. Gregory M. Luce purchased the A&M Railroad, and the 10 11 Mississippi Export Railroad (MSE) was born, and a family legacy began with the great-great-grandfather of the current president 12 13 and CEO of Mississippi Export Railroad, Kate Luce; and 14 WHEREAS, headquartered in Moss Point, Mississippi, Mississippi Export Railroad is a 42-mile short line railroad 15 16 extending from Evanston, Mississippi, to Pascagoula, Mississippi, and it is the north-south corridor connecting the Canadian 17 National Railroad and the east-west line of CSX Transportation, 18

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and it also connects to the Norfolk Southern in Mobile, Alabama, and Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and Kansas City Southern in Jackson, Mississippi, through haulage agreements, and these connections and their alliances link the Gulf of Mexico to all points on the continent; and

24 WHEREAS, Mississippi Export Railroad is a diversified company 25 with a full service maintenance and repair railcar and locomotive 26 shop, railcar storage facilities, track maintenance and repair, 27 transloading terminals and industrial development sites; and

28 WHEREAS, dedicated to providing the best personalized 29 customer service, MSE associates are skilled and experienced in 30 offering creative solutions to help businesses prosper; and

31 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize 32 outstanding Mississippi companies, especially those such as 33 Mississippi Export Railroad, whose faithful service and 34 outstanding legacy brings honor to the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby recognize and commend Mississippi Export Railroad upon the occasion of its 100th anniversary, and designate November 10, 2022, as Mississippi Export Railroad Day to honor its 100 years of service to the State of Mississippi.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 42 furnished to the President and CEO of the Mississippi Export

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- 43 Railroad, Kate Luce, and to the members of the Capitol Press
- 44 Corps.

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