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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 563
(As Adopted by the Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONDEMN THE INVASION OF UKRAINE
2 AND TO SEVER ALL ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL, AND OTHER CONNECTIONS WITH
3 THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, ITS LEADERS, AND ITS BUSINESSES.

4 WHEREAS, on February 24-25, 2022, Russian President Vladimir
5 Putin launched a full-scale invasion targeting numerous cities in
6 Ukraine that has been met with widespread international
7 condemnation. The attacks, which involved aerial and ground
8 operations, have thus far resulted in civilian deaths, including
9 children, and injured hundreds, if not thousands, of people; and

10 WHEREAS, this unprovoked invasion of Ukraine by Armed Forces
11 of the Russian Federation is a violation of international law and
12 the United Nations Charter which states that all member states
13 shall refrain from the threat or use of force against the
14 territorial integrity or political independence of any state.

15 This Russian military offensive is unacceptable; and

16 WHEREAS, there are more than one million people of Ukrainian
17 ancestry living in the United States, including some citizens in
18 Mississippi.



19 WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi expresses its strongest
20 concern regarding reports of civilian casualties from this Russian
21 aggression, and calls for ensuring humanitarian access and respect
22 for the relevant provisions of international humanitarian law and
23 human rights; and

24 WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi reaffirms its commitment to
25 Ukraine's sovereignty, independence, and territorial integrity:

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
27 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
28 we do hereby condemn Russia's invasion of Ukraine and violation of
29 Ukraine's sovereignty, which is a violation of international law
30 and of the United Nations Charter.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That it is the policy and will of the
32 Mississippi Legislature that the State of Mississippi sever all
33 economic, financial, and other connections, and refrain from
34 engaging in future economic, financial, and other connections with
35 the Russian Federation, its leaders, and its businesses by
36 prohibiting: the sale, purchase, distribution, or storage of
37 alcoholic beverages from Russia at the Alcohol Beverage Control at
38 the Department of Revenue; the investment of Public Employees'
39 Retirement System assets in businesses or financial institutions
40 owned by Russia or its citizens; the investment in Russian
41 businesses through the Mississippi Development Authority or other
42 publicly financed economic development projects; the use of
43 Russian vendors for any services or goods for public entities,



44 including state agencies, counties, and municipalities and other
45 political subdivisions; and any other method of investing state
46 assets or otherwise doing business with the Russian Federation,
47 its leaders, and its businesses.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this concurrent resolution shall
49 be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the
50 House to members of Mississippi's Congressional delegation, to the
51 President of the United States, and to the Ukrainian Ambassador to
52 the United States.

