MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

**REGULAR SESSION 2022** 

By: Senator(s) Tate

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 592

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING MISSISSIPPI STATE PAROLE 2 BOARD MEMBER BETTY LOU JONES OF MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI, ON THE 3 OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER MANY YEARS OF EFFECTIVE 4 GOVERNMENT SERVICE. 5 WHEREAS, Mississippi State Parole Board member Betty Lou Jones is retiring from an outstanding and effective career in 6 7 public service, effective March 10, 2022; and 8 WHEREAS, Betty Lou Jones was appointed to the Parole Board in 9 2008 by Governor Haley Barbour and was reappointed to the Parole 10 Board in 2012 by Governor Phil Bryant and served both terms under Governor Bryant. Ms. Jones was reappointed to the Parole Board in 11 12 the 2020 by Governor Tate Reeves and serve until she retired March 13 10, 2022; and 14 WHEREAS, Ms. Jones traveled back and forth from Meridian to Jackson to serve the citizens of Mississippi. Ms. Jones believed 15 in second chances but also believed in the system; and 16 17 WHEREAS, as an active member in both her local community and the state, Ms. Jones was passionate about her work as a member of 18 19 the Mississippi State Parole Board; and S. C. R. No. 592 ~ OFFICIAL ~ N1/2 22/SS08/R1432 PAGE 1 (rdd\tb)

20 WHEREAS, Ms. Jones worked tirelessly to serve victims and 21 advocates of the offender. Her day did not end when she left the 22 office. She assisted in getting employment for the offenders, 23 sometimes even giving them a ride to work. Ms. Jones made many 24 sacrifices in order to assist the offenders to become productive 25 citizens in society; and

26 WHEREAS, Betty Lou Jones' legacy is a strong Mississippi 27 prison system and for this and for her selfless public service, a 28 grateful state thanks her:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commend Mississippi State Parole Board member Betty Lou Jones of Meridian, Mississippi, on the occasion of her retirement after many years of effective government service and extend to Betty Lou Jones and her family our best wishes for future success.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to 37 Betty Lou Jones and her family, forwarded to the State Parole 38 Board and the Commissioner of Corrections, and made available to 39 the Capitol Press Corps.

S. C. R. No.592~ OFFICIAL ~22/SS08/R1432ST: Commend State Parole Board member Betty Lou<br/>Jones on the occasion of her retirement.