

By: Senator(s) Kirby, McCaughn

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 520

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING FEBRUARY 6, 2024, AS  
2 "FAMILY MEDICINE APPRECIATION DAY" IN MISSISSIPPI IN HONOR OF THE  
3 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MISSISSIPPI ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS  
4 STATE CHARTER.

5 WHEREAS, on February 1, 1949, the American Academy of Family  
6 Physicians granted a state charter to the Mississippi Academy of  
7 General Practice; and

8 WHEREAS, upon receiving the charter, the goal of Mississippi  
9 physicians was and continues to be an effort to work together to  
10 maintain the highest quality standards for family physicians who  
11 provide comprehensive health care to the public; and

12 WHEREAS, the mission of the Mississippi Academy of Family  
13 Physicians is to improve the health of all Mississippians and to  
14 ensure that every Mississippian has access to a well-trained  
15 family physician to help manage his or her medical care and other  
16 health care needs; and

17 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Academy of Family Physicians is the  
18 largest medical specialty organization with 1,398 members  
19 statewide and includes 702 active family physicians practicing in



20 73 Mississippi counties; 154 resident doctors at eight family  
21 medicine residency programs located in Gulfport, Jackson,  
22 Hattiesburg, Tupelo, Greenville, Meridian, McComb and Southaven;  
23 and 542 medical students from the University of Mississippi  
24 Medical Center and William Carey University; and

25 WHEREAS, we recognize the remarkable men and women who  
26 diligently and carefully provide the best medical care to the  
27 citizens of this great state and to celebrate and honor their  
28 significant achievements and strides toward a healthier state:

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
30 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
31 we do hereby designate February 6, 2024, as "Family Medicine  
32 Appreciation Day" in Mississippi in honor of the recent milestone  
33 of the 75th Anniversary of the Mississippi Academy of Family  
34 Physicians State Charter, and remind all citizens of the  
35 tremendous work family physicians provide for the care of the  
36 citizens of Mississippi and the betterment of communities  
37 throughout the state.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
39 the Mississippi Academy of Family Physicians and made available to  
40 the Capitol Press Corps.

