

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.

