MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Horhn, Blount, Simmons (12th) To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 43

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LINKS, INCORPORATED, ON THE 2 OCCASION OF ITS "MISSISSIPPI LINKS DAY AT THE CAPITOL 2024", AND 3 HONORING THE ORGANIZATION'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY, 4 THIS STATE AND THE NATION.

5 WHEREAS, The Links, Incorporated, is an international, 6 nonprofit corporation which was founded in 1946, and now boasts 7 more than 15,000 members in 288 chapters that are located in 42 8 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of the Bahamas 9 and the United Kingdom, with an impressive seven active chapters 10 located in the State of Mississippi, the organization's Southern 11 Area; and

12 WHEREAS, on March 6, 2024, the dedicated members of the 13 highly respected organization, The Links, Incorporated, traveled 14 to Jackson, Mississippi, for the "Mississippi Links Day at the 15 Capitol" to receive legislative updates, promote advocacy and take 16 action as part of their commitment to criminal and social justice, 17 political awareness, voter empowerment, and statewide civic 18 engagement; and

S. R. No. 43 **~ OFFICIAL ~** N1/2 24/SS26/R1264 PAGE 1 (rdd\kr) WHEREAS, members of the Legislature will inform the organization of the status of pieces of Mississippi legislation affecting the public policy initiatives of The Links, Incorporated, because "Mississippi Links Day at the Capitol" is a vital part of the national political awareness initiative for members; and

25 WHEREAS, The Links, Incorporated, is one of the nation's 26 oldest, largest and most revered volunteer service organizations 27 whose members are professional women committed to enriching, 28 sustaining and ensuring the culture and economic survival of 29 African Americans and other persons of African ancestry, and to 30 this end, the organization contributes more than one million 31 documented hours of community service annually; and

32 WHEREAS, the Southern Area of The Links, Incorporated, 33 consists of more than 4,500 members in 80 chapters, and its seven 34 Mississippi entities are the Mississippi Delta, Mississippi Roses, 35 Golden Crest, Jackson, LeFleur's Bluff, Natchez and Gulf Coast Chapters. These chapters work independently and collectively to 36 37 improve lives and communities within the State of Mississippi; and 38 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we commend this 39 impressive organization whose mission is to improve the quality of 40 life for all Mississippians:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend The Links, Incorporated, on the observance of "Mississippi Links Day at the Capitol 2024," and

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46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to 47 committee representatives of The Links, Incorporated, Mississippi 48 Chapters and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

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