

By: Senator(s) Whaley, Blackwell, Parker,  
McLendon, Boyd, Suber

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 89

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE DISTINGUISHED CAREER AND  
2 DEDICATED SERVICE OF MR. LAWRENCE "BUD" YOUNG TO NORTHWEST  
3 MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT.

4 WHEREAS, since commencing his bull riding career at the age  
5 of 12 years old in 1957 and subsequently with the International  
6 Professional Rodeo Association in 1964, Mr. Lawrence "Bud" Young  
7 has made his mark on the rodeo profession, a mark that will  
8 forever be chronicled in the annals of Mississippi as a 2005  
9 Northwest Sports Hall of Fame and 2013 Mississippi Association of  
10 Community and Junior College Sports Hall Of Fame inductee, and  
11 continually heralded around the campus of Northwest Mississippi  
12 Community College upon his second retirement after 49 years of  
13 distinguished service as rodeo coach; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Young made his debut on Northwest's campus in  
15 1973 as an instructor in livestock management technology, and  
16 inaugurated the college's first rodeo team that same year, which  
17 quickly garnered the reputation of champions who have  
18 traditionally earned awards in local, regional and national



19 competitions in the bareback riding, bull riding, barrel racing,  
20 steer wrestling and All-Around categories; and

21 WHEREAS, with 36 years to his credit at the time of his first  
22 retirement in 2009, Coach Young is the longest tenured instructor  
23 in Northwest's athletic history, which also encompasses 18 years  
24 as the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) facility  
25 director and two terms as the association's president; and

26 WHEREAS, an active member of the International Professional  
27 Rodeo Association, who in his former years, competed in the PRCA,  
28 CRA, RA and the Deep South Rodeo Association, "Bud," as he is  
29 known, was doubly honored in 2005 with the announcement of the  
30 Lawrence "Bud" Young Endowed Scholarship for the benefit of  
31 students in the college rodeo program; and

32 WHEREAS, since retirement, Mr. Young has consistently  
33 maintained his commitment to Northwest as the arena manager of the  
34 Northwest Multipurpose Arena and as an adjunct faculty member  
35 teaching plant science, in addition to his work as a workshop and  
36 seminary facilitator for area high school students, private groups  
37 and members of the Little Britches Rodeo Association; and

38 WHEREAS, in 2015, "Bud" was honored by the National Day of  
39 the Cowboy (NDOC) organization at the Bryant Lane Cowboy Church,  
40 with the Cowboy Keeper Award, which is presented to those  
41 individuals who make significant contributions to the preservation  
42 of cowboy culture and pioneer heritage; and



43           WHEREAS, a true Northwest legacy, whose grandfather attended  
44 Northwest when it was a high school, is the place his parents met  
45 and where he, his son and grandson have all graduated, Mr. Young's  
46 name and significance are synonymous with Northwest; and

47           WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we commend the laudable  
48 career and contributions of this exceptional individual, whose  
49 passion for service is an example for all Mississippians:

50           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
51 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the distinguished career  
52 and dedicated service of Mr. Lawrence "Bud" Young to Northwest  
53 Mississippi Community College upon the occasion of his retirement,  
54 and extend best wishes for continued health and prosperity in the  
55 years to come.

56           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
57 Mr. Lawrence "Bud" Young, forwarded to the President of Northwest  
58 Mississippi Community College and made available to the Capitol  
59 Press Corps.

