

By: Senator(s) McCaughn, Suber, DeBar,
Barnett, Berry, Michel, Norwood, Seymour,
Simmons (12th), Thomas

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 58

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND THANKING THE MISSISSIPPI LOGGERS
2 ASSOCIATION "2024 NATIONAL CHAMPION VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR" ROY
3 HOLDER FOR HIS OUTSTANDING CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS AND FOR HIS
4 LEADERSHIP IN SETTING A NEW DONATION RECORD FOR "LOG-A-LOAD FOR
5 KIDS CHARITY" SUPPORTING THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF MISSISSIPPI.

6 WHEREAS, through the Mississippi Loggers Association (MLA)
7 and the Log-A-Load for Kids Charity Program, the generosity of the
8 people associated with Mississippi's logging industry is
9 demonstrated to the state and nation; and

10 WHEREAS, we join the Mississippi Loggers Association in
11 recognizing Roy Holder as the 2024 "Log-A-Load for Kids National
12 Champion Volunteer of the Year." Roy and his group of volunteers
13 have been helping the Log-A-Load for Kids Charity for over 20
14 years. His dedication was one of the determining factors in his
15 receipt of this distinguished honor; and

16 WHEREAS, Roy, his wife Carmen, brother Mark and Mark's wife
17 Leslie, greatly helped MLA Log-A-Load for Kids Charity raise the
18 \$2,315,424.62 through the end of 2023 for the Children's of



19 Mississippi Hospital, formerly known as Blair E. Batson Children's
20 Hospital; and

21 WHEREAS, Roy's skill as an auctioneer with a unique style was
22 very helpful to the program. He keeps everyone at an auction
23 engaged and amused with his witty humor. Roy and his family hold
24 auctions for others in need from cancer patients to those with
25 life-threatening or life-changing illnesses or injuries. Roy
26 believes that the Lord has blessed him and his family, and this
27 work gives thanks for the blessings; and

28 WHEREAS, Roy has auctioned from coast-to-coast, from Maine to
29 California, and numerous states in between. Roy has sold many
30 items from chainsaws to rifles to raise thousands of dollars in
31 benefit auctions with his unique style of "SELL IT AGAIN!!!".
32 Mississippi is blessed to have people like Roy and his family, and
33 we are extremely blessed that they have continued to support the
34 MLA Log-A-Load for Kids Charity; and

35 WHEREAS, at the beginning of 2024, the Children's of
36 Mississippi Hospital thanked the Log-A-Load for Kids Charity for
37 their generous support over the past years. The donation check
38 was for \$317,050.00 and an in-kind donation of \$1,040.83. MLA
39 Log-A-Load for Kids has come a long way in its 31 years of
40 existence. The charity has now contributed \$2,636,546.45 in that
41 time. It is amazing how generous the people associated with the
42 logging industry are; and



43 WHEREAS, we are truly honored to commend such a caring group
44 of people who give back to the communities they are a part of; and

45 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we acknowledge the
46 vision and foresight of the Mississippi Loggers Association and
47 the American Loggers Council for their industry goals and their
48 community service:

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
50 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and thank the Mississippi
51 Loggers Association "2024 National Champion Volunteer of the Year"
52 Roy Holder for his outstanding charitable contributions and for
53 his leadership in setting a new donation record for "Log-A-Load
54 for Kids Charity" supporting the Children's Hospital of
55 Mississippi, and extend to this industry the best wishes of the
56 Senate for continued growth.

57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
58 Roy Holder and MLA Executive Director David Livingston, and made
59 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

