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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 513

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING CORPORAL JEFF PALMER OF
2 THE TUPELO DISTRICT OF THE MISSISSIPPI BUREAU OF NARCOTICS UPON
3 BEING NAMED NARCOTICS OFFICER OF THE YEAR.

4 WHEREAS, Corporal Jeff Palmer, one of Alcorn County's finest,
5 is a six-year veteran of the Tupelo district of the Mississippi
6 Bureau of Narcotics; and

7 WHEREAS, Palmer was chosen from a prestigious field of over
8 150 Mississippi narcotics agents by a majority of captains
9 representing the nine districts that divide the state; and

10 WHEREAS, he was chosen because of his outstanding case
11 production year after year, particularly in 1998 when he surpassed
12 the agency record for cases initiated by initiating 177 cases; and

13 WHEREAS, according to Sheriff Jimmy Taylor, who served as a
14 state narcotics agent for two years before his election to three
15 straight terms as Alcorn County's top law enforcement officer,
16 agents are judged on case production, complexity, management and
17 success; and

18 WHEREAS, an agent's ability to testify in court and overall
19 job performance are also factors; and

20 WHEREAS, the award is not a popularity contest; the agents
21 are judged on merit; and

22 WHEREAS, Corporal Palmer is dedicated to his job and has done
23 good work on many high-level federal and state cases that have
24 resulted in the prosecution of big-time criminals; and

25 WHEREAS, Palmer began his interest in law enforcement while
26 earning his bachelor of arts degree in sociology at Mississippi
27 State University, where he worked as a patrolman for the campus
28 police department; and

29 WHEREAS, Palmer previously also served as a deputy at the
30 Alcorn County Sheriff's Department; and

31 WHEREAS, in addition to his other duties, Palmer conducts
32 field training for new agents at the Tupelo district, where he is
33 also a fire arms and training instructor and a member of the Meth
34 Lab Team; and

35 WHEREAS, the award was presented to Palmer by Director Tom
36 Blain during the Bureau's annual General Assembly at the Jackson
37 headquarters:

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
39 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN,
40 That, we do hereby commend Corporal Jeff Palmer upon receiving the
41 Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics Officer of the Year Award.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
43 presented to Corporal Palmer.