

By: Chaney

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31  
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING BEECHWOOD  
2 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN VICKSBURG FOR ITS EXCELLENT TEACHING STAFF.

3 WHEREAS, Beechwood Elementary School in the Vicksburg-Warren  
4 School District is a Kindergarten through Grade 4 school with an  
5 emphasis on math and science, which offers many opportunities to  
6 its students; and

7 WHEREAS, Beechwood Elementary is the only elementary school  
8 in the district with two National Board for Professional Teaching  
9 Standards (NBPTS) certified teachers: Jeanne Chandler, Theme  
10 Coordinator and Discovery Science Lab teacher, and Frances  
11 Hassell, music teacher; and

12 WHEREAS, Beechwood also has the Chamber of Commerce Educator  
13 of the Year, Robin Herrington, who teaches 4th Grade, and the  
14 Vicksburg-Warren School District Teacher of the Year, Sandra  
15 Brooks, who is a special education teacher; and

16 WHEREAS, Mississippi may rank last in many categories  
17 nationwide, but in the area of national board certification of  
18 teachers, it ranks 4th in the nation in producing nationally  
19 certified educators, and Ms. Chandler and Ms. Hassell have joined  
20 the ranks of 354 other Mississippi teachers which have achieved  
21 this prestigious accomplishment, which involve a very tedious year  
22 of classroom planning, portfolios, paperwork and an 8-hour test in  
23 their specific area; and

24 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these four  
25 outstanding Mississippi educators whose accomplishments have  
26 brought honor to their school, their community and the children

27 they serve, and to the State of Mississippi:

28         NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
29 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Beechwood  
30 Elementary School in the Vicksburg-Warren School District for its  
31 excellent teaching staff, and wish all teachers continued success  
32 in their education and career endeavors.

33         BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
34 presented to Principal Jack Grogan on behalf of the teachers of  
35 Beechwood Elementary School and its students, and be made  
36 available to the Capitol Press Corps.