

By: Senator(s) White (29th)

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 72

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MINADENE WALDROP UPON RECEIVING THE
2 2001 PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE
3 TEACHING.

4 WHEREAS, Minadene Waldrop, a secondary science teacher at
5 Terry High School, has recently been named by President Bush as a
6 recipient of the 2001 Presidential Award for Excellence in
7 Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST); and

8 WHEREAS, the award is administered by the National Science
9 Foundation and is the nation's highest award for science and
10 mathematics teachers; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Waldrop was selected from more than 600
12 national finalists from all 50 states, Puerto Rico, the District
13 of Columbia, U.S. territories and the U.S. Department of Defense
14 schools; and

15 WHEREAS, each year a national panel of distinguished
16 scientists, mathematicians and educators recommends up to 216
17 teachers to receive the award; and

18 WHEREAS, each recipient receives a \$7,500.00 grant to the
19 recipient's school and a trip to Washington, D.C., where they will
20 be recognized for their professional achievements and participate
21 in a variety of educational and celebratory events; and

22 WHEREAS, Mrs. Waldrop currently teaches Chemistry and
23 Advanced Chemistry at Terry High School and also serves as a
24 Coaching Teacher for Hinds County Schools Induction Program; and

25 WHEREAS, Mrs. Waldrop's previous education experience
26 includes: Teacher, Forest Hill High School (1988-1995); Teacher,
27 Wingfield High School (1985-1988); Teacher, Peeples Jr. High



28 School (1982-1985); Resource Teacher, Emergency School Aid Act
29 Program, Jackson Public School District (1980-1982); Teacher,
30 Brinkley Jr. High School; and Teacher, Tri-County Academy
31 (1975-1976); and

32 WHEREAS, throughout her career, Mrs. Waldrop has received
33 numerous honors and awards, including: Science Presidential Award
34 Winner; Inducted into the Mississippi Hall of Master Teachers;
35 Alternate State Teacher of the Year; Hinds County Teacher of the
36 Year; Terry High School's Teacher of the Year; A/YA National Board
37 Certification for Teachers; Tandy Teacher of Technology for Terry
38 High School; Exceptional Participation for Education Technology
39 Proficiency Training for Hinds County Teachers; Named by the
40 Mississippi Chemical Society as Mississippi's Most Outstanding
41 Chemistry Teacher of the Year; Recognized by Sigma Xi Society as
42 Outstanding Chemistry Teacher; Outstanding Young Woman of America;
43 and Red and Silver Apple Teacher Award; and

44 WHEREAS, Mrs. Waldrop possesses an AA Certification from
45 Mississippi College in Chemistry, a Master's Degree from
46 Mississippi College in Home Economics Education, and a Bachelor's
47 Degree from Mississippi University for Women in Home Economics
48 Education; and

49 WHEREAS, Mrs. Waldrop has given back to her community by
50 serving as Chairman of Food Community for Habitat for Humanity
51 Project, President of Women Missionary Union at Wynndale Baptist
52 Church, and serving on the Board of Directors for Young Life and
53 the Mississippi WMU Executive Committee; and

54 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
55 and commend the outstanding accomplishments of such Mississippi
56 citizens as Minadene Waldrop:

57 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
58 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend Minadene Waldrop upon
59 receiving the 2001 Presidential Award for Excellence in



60 Mathematics and Science Teaching, and wish her continued success
61 in all future endeavors.

62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
63 furnished to Minadene Waldrop and made available to the Capitol
64 Press Corps.

