

By: Representatives Snowden, Dickson, Horne, To: Rules  
Robinson (84th), Young

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 96

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING DAVID CARR ON  
2 BEING SELECTED AS MALE SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR FOR THE 2003 STATE  
3 GAMES OF MISSISSIPPI.

4 WHEREAS, David Carr of Meridian, Mississippi, was selected as  
5 Male Sportsman of the Year for the 2003 State Games of  
6 Mississippi; and

7 WHEREAS, the award seeks to honor those athletes who  
8 personify the ideals of the State Games movement, such as  
9 participation, sportsmanship, achievement, effort and positive  
10 attitude; and

11 WHEREAS, between 1982 and 1993, Mr. Carr and his oldest son,  
12 Dave, competed in several athletic events, including 5K runs,  
13 marathons, bicycle time trials, triathlons, and duathlons; and

14 WHEREAS, an avid businessman, Mr. Carr stopped competing in  
15 races in 1993 to concentrate on his martial arts training, which  
16 he began in 1977, receiving his 1st degree black belt in karate in  
17 1982; and

18 WHEREAS, after the sudden and unexpected death of his karate  
19 instructor, Mr. Carr began his training under internationally  
20 renowned Grandmaster, Dr. Hee Young Kimm, and under whose  
21 tutelage, he became accomplished in several styles of martial arts  
22 in the United States, Korea, China and Japan; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Carr now holds a 1st degree black belt in Kum  
24 Do, a 2nd degree in Tae Kwon Do, a 3rd degree in both karate and  
25 hapkido, and is a 5th degree Master Han Mu Do; and

26           WHEREAS, at age 50, Mr. Carr resumed his training for the  
27 State Games, and competed in running, biking, triathlons, off-road  
28 events, biathlons and kayaking; and

29           WHEREAS, Mr. Carr demonstrates the true spirit of the State  
30 Games of Mississippi as he is committed to doing his very best to  
31 compete in numerous events in which he has excelled during his  
32 years of participation, and he enjoys the competition and has  
33 respect for the athletes, volunteers, and staff who work, plan and  
34 implement this annual classic; and

35           WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
36 recognize and commend outstanding Mississippians such as David  
37 Carr, who has been a remarkable inspiration for people throughout  
38 Mississippi; and

39           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
40 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we commend and  
41 congratulate David Carr on being selected as Male Sportsman of the  
42 Year for the 2003 State Games of Mississippi and express our  
43 heartiest wishes for continued success in all his future  
44 endeavors.

45           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
46 furnished to David Carr and to the members of the Capitol Press  
47 Corps.