

By: Senator(s) Posey

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 562

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
2 ELIZABETH FIKE OF RAYMOND, MISSISSIPPI, UPON BEING NAMED A
3 DISTINGUISHED FINALIST IN THE 2005 PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY
4 AWARD PROGRAM FOR MISSISSIPPI.

5 WHEREAS, Elizabeth Fike of Raymond, Mississippi, a member of
6 the Hinds County 4-H Program of the Mississippi State University
7 Extension Service and an eighth-grader at St. Andrews Episcopal
8 School in Ridgeland, Mississippi, is a Distinguished Finalist in
9 the 10th Annual Mississippi Prudential Spirit of Community Award;
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11 WHEREAS, Elizabeth volunteered to conduct readiness tests for
12 kindergarten and first grade students at a local elementary
13 school; she was the only young person in a group of 16 volunteers
14 who tested more than 150 students on their basic academic skills;
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16 WHEREAS, Elizabeth, who was nominated by the Hinds County 4-H
17 organization was one of 20,000 students who entered the contest
18 for the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards; and

19 WHEREAS, the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, created
20 by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National
21 Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), constitute
22 America's largest youth recognition program based exclusively on
23 volunteerism. The awards are designed to emphasize the importance
24 our nation places on service to others and to encourage young
25 Americans of all backgrounds to contribute to their communities;
26 and

27 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
28 accomplishment of a student whose community spirit and service is
29 a model for all young Mississippians:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
31 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
32 we do hereby commend and congratulate Elizabeth Fike of Raymond,
33 Mississippi, upon being named a Distinguished Finalist in the 2005
34 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for Mississippi, and extend
35 to her the best wishes of the Legislature for success in her
36 future competition and in her academic career.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
38 Elizabeth and her parents and be made available to the Headmaster
39 of St. Andrews Episcopal School and to members of the Capitol
40 Press Corps.