

By: Senator(s) Thames, Harden

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 14

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MICHAEL JORDAN,  
2 RECIPIENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI BUSINESS JOURNAL "TOP 40 UNDER 40"  
3 AWARD.

4 WHEREAS, Michael K. Jordan, Director of Staff Education and  
5 Training Services at Mississippi State Hospital at Whitfield,  
6 Mississippi, is a recipient of the Mississippi Business Journal  
7 "Top 40 Under 40" Award for 2005; and

8 WHEREAS, Jordan began his career in the Mental Health field  
9 in 1989 as a Recreation Supervisor at East Mississippi State  
10 Hospital. He has been promoted several times since then to  
11 Director of Staff Education and Training Services for Mississippi  
12 State Hospital in Whitfield, Mississippi, where he oversees the  
13 largest training and development department within the Mississippi  
14 Department of Mental Health. While climbing the career ladder, he  
15 found time to earn an Associate's Degree from Jones County Junior  
16 College in 1998, a Bachelor's Degree from Belhaven College in  
17 2002, and an MBA from William Carey College in 2003; and

18 WHEREAS, in the past two years since being promoted to Staff  
19 Education Director, Michael has accomplished several major goals.  
20 He has more than doubled the continuing education credit hours for  
21 licensed and certified staff, brought in two new satellite  
22 broadcast training programs, increased the number of clinical  
23 affiliations by 23%, created a departmental Website and  
24 implemented a quarterly management training program for hospital  
25 leadership staff. These are just a few of the many  
26 accomplishments that have been made under his leadership; and

27           WHEREAS, in his current position, he supervises a staff of 19  
28 and is responsible for training all new employees at the 915-bed  
29 hospital and providing annual training for the hospital's 2,500  
30 employees, which includes the 472-bed Jaquith Nursing Home, eight  
31 Community Services facilities in Hinds County and three 17-bed  
32 Crisis Intervention Centers in Brookhaven, Cleveland and Grenada;  
33 and

34           WHEREAS, he is credited with bringing national attention to  
35 Mississippi State Hospital as an American Heart Association  
36 Training Center. He also brought two new satellite broadcast  
37 systems to the hospital, including the Joint Commission Satellite  
38 Network and PsychCME, developed at Duke University Medical Center  
39 to broadcast live into clinical environments across the United  
40 States, offering "point of care" medical education in an  
41 interactive format; and

42           WHEREAS, Jordan moonlights as an Adjunct Professor at the  
43 Belhaven College School of Business, teaching courses in  
44 contemporary business, fundamentals of management and business  
45 policy/strategic management. He holds certifications in  
46 supervisory management from the Mississippi State Personnel Board  
47 and CPR basic instruction from the American Heart Association, is  
48 a licensed Nursing Home Administrator and a certified Nursing Home  
49 Administrator Preceptor. He graduated from the state's Certified  
50 Public Manager Program in December 2004; and

51           WHEREAS, one stress-buster Jordan enjoys is tailgating at  
52 baseball games every spring and football games every fall with his  
53 wife and two young children, and watching any sporting event that  
54 involves the Mississippi State University Bulldogs; and

55           WHEREAS, Michael is an excellent role model for his family  
56 and friends, and it is with pride that we recognize this citizen  
57 who has brought honor to his agency, his family, his community and  
58 to the State of Mississippi:

59           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
60 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Michael K.  
61 Jordan, Staff Education and Training Services Director for  
62 Mississippi State Hospital, recipient of the Mississippi Business  
63 Journal "Top 40 Under 40" Award for 2005, and extend to him and  
64 his family the best wishes of the Senate for success in their  
65 future endeavors.

66           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
67 Michael Jordan, be forwarded to the Mississippi Department of  
68 Mental Health, and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.