MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Hyde-Smith, Dearing, Lee (35th), Posey To: Rules

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE ETA OMEGA CHAPTER OF PHI THETA 1 KAPPA, COPIAH-LINCOLN COMMUNITY COLLEGE, WESSON, MISSISSIPPI. 2 WHEREAS, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society had its beginnings at 3 4 Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, in 1910; and 5 WHEREAS, the name Phi Theta Kappa was chosen in 1918 as the 6 national organization with eight charter chapters to recognize the 7 outstanding scholastic achievements of two-year college students; 8 and 9 WHEREAS, Phi Theta Kappa is an honor society "to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students"; and 10 11 WHEREAS, the ideals of Phi Theta Kappa which band that organization together are wisdom, aspiration, and purity; and 12 WHEREAS, Phi Theta Kappa, with over 1,200 chapters, is the 13 largest organization in the world which recognizes scholastic 14 15 achievements of two-year college students; and WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at the 16 Wesson Campus of Copiah-Lincoln Community College was chartered in 17 1951; and 18 WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter has distinguished itself as a 19 20 leader among other chapters in Phi Theta Kappa International; and WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter was named the "Most 21 Outstanding Chapter" in the Mississippi/Louisiana Region for 22 23 2004-2005; and WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter attended the 2005 Phi Theta 24 25 Kappa International Convention on April 14-16, in Grapevine, 26 Texas; and

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27 WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter received recognition for Chris 28 Collins as a Guistwhite Scholar, one of twenty students 29 internationally, at the International Convention; and 30 WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter received recognition for Karen Wallace Freeman as a "Leader of Promise," one of thirty students 31 32 internationally; and WHEREAS, the advisors of the Eta Omega Chapter are Lea Ann 33 34 Knight, Randy Castilaw and Neisha Leggett; and WHEREAS, the President of the Eta Omega Chapter of Phi Theta 35 36 Kappa is Karen Wallace Freeman; and 37 WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter received one of ten Hallmark Awards given internationally in each of the areas of leadership, 38 service and fellowship; and 39 WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter provides enhancements to 40 academic programs and the quality of life at the Wesson Campus of 41 Copiah-Lincoln Community College; and 42 43 WHEREAS, the Eta Omega Chapter was named the "Most Distinguished Chapter" of Phi Theta Kappa International: 44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF 45 46 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Eta Omega Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at the Wesson Campus of 47 48 Copiah-Lincoln Community College for its outstanding achievements and for being recognized on April 16, 2005, at Grapevine, Texas, 49 50 as the "Most Distinguished Chapter" in the world. 51 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the President of Copiah-Lincoln Community College, 52 53 and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.