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 Frazier, Burton, Lee (35th),  
 Dearing, Harvey, Hewes,  
 Jackson (15th), Posey,  
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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 507

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CAREER OF R. SCOTT  
 2 BRUNNER, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION  
 3 OF REALTORS®, AND CONGRATULATING HIM ON HIS ADVANCEMENT.

4 WHEREAS, R. Scott Brunner, CAE, is Executive Vice President  
 5 of the 5,400-member Mississippi Association of REALTORS®, which he  
 6 joined in 1994. Scott is now in his 16th year in Association  
 7 Management; and

8 WHEREAS, Scott has been selected to serve as Executive  
 9 Director for the Virginia Association of REALTORS®; and

10 WHEREAS, Scott is a native of Bessemer, Alabama; holds  
 11 degrees from the University of Montevallo and Auburn University;  
 12 and earned the prestigious Certified Association Executive  
 13 designation in 1997; and

14 WHEREAS, Scott was a member of the 1997-1998 class of  
 15 Leadership Jackson, and was included in the *Mississippi Business*  
 16 *Journal's* "Top 40 Under 40" class in 1999. He currently chairs  
 17 the Millsaps Arts & Lecture Series Advisory Board Program  
 18 Committee; as 2003 Chairman of NAR's Association Executive  
 19 Institute Advisory Board, he served as Dean of that year's AEI; he  
 20 has served on the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Main  
 21 Street Association; he spearheaded the formation of the  
 22 Mississippi Coalition for Housing Opportunity and was instrumental  
 23 in obtaining legislation authorizing a Mississippi REALTORS® car  
 24 tag with proceeds earmarked for the Habitat for Humanity Program  
 25 for Mississippi residents; and

26           WHEREAS, Scott conceived and now administers the nationally  
27 recognized LeadershipMAR program, the association's leadership  
28 development initiative that has breathed new life into the  
29 Mississippi Association of REALTORS® and serves as a model for  
30 association leadership development nationwide; and

31           WHEREAS, Scott has been an occasional commentator on Public  
32 Radio in Mississippi and National Public Radio's *All Things*  
33 *Considered* program. He is the author of two books about the  
34 South. The first is *Due South: Dispatches from Down Home*, a  
35 collection of essays published in 1999; and the other is *Carryin'*  
36 *On (and Other Strange Things Southerners Do)*, published in 2001,  
37 both by Random House; and

38           WHEREAS, Scott is a proven leader with more than 16 years of  
39 association management experience and a track record of innovation  
40 and measurable success, a pragmatic consensus-building  
41 administrator who has served his profession well; and

42           WHEREAS, Scott and his wife Karen have a nine-year-old  
43 daughter, Claire, and twin boys, Pate and Jackson, who are seven  
44 years old, and his parents are Ray and Gail Brunner of Bessemer,  
45 Alabama; and

46           WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the  
47 accomplishments of this skilled administrator who has brought  
48 honor to his association and to the State of Mississippi:

49           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
50 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
51 we do hereby commend the career of R. Scott Brunner, Executive  
52 Vice President of the Mississippi Association of REALTORS®,  
53 congratulate him on his selection as Executive Director for the  
54 Virginia Association of REALTORS®, and extend to him and his  
55 family the best wishes of the Legislature as he adopts a new  
56 state.

57           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
58 Scott Brunner, forwarded to the Mississippi Association of  
59 REALTORS® and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.