

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Dearing, Jackson  
(11th), Jackson (32nd)

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 42

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MR. RICHARD WILSON  
2 UPON HIS RECEIVING THE MISSISSIPPI CIVIL DEFENSE-EMERGENCY  
3 MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AWARD.

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Richard Wilson was awarded the Mississippi Civil  
5 Defense-Emergency Management Association (MCDEMA) Board of  
6 Directors Award for his outstanding service as the Emergency  
7 Management Director for Rankin County; and

8 WHEREAS, as the first recipient of the MCDEMA Board of  
9 Directors Award, Mr. Wilson was chosen for this distinguished  
10 honor due to his superb service as Emergency Management Director  
11 for Rankin County for 10 years; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson is known throughout the state as a highly  
13 organized individual who ensures that Rankin County has the  
14 resources and needed manpower to help individuals in emergencies  
15 when the need arises; and

16 WHEREAS, as the Emergency Management Director of Rankin  
17 County, Mr. Wilson's duties and responsibilities cover a variety  
18 of areas such as: coordinating rescue cleanup in areas hit by  
19 tornados or in areas affected by solid hazardous materials;  
20 heading the county's Homeland Security efforts; overseeing the  
21 county's 34-siren severe warning system; and overseeing the  
22 county's 715-radio communication system; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson also oversees Rankin County's  
24 911-Addressing System and Fire Coordinator's Office, as well as  
25 the manufacture of street signs for Rankin County streets and  
26 roads; and

27           WHEREAS, in addition to being a diligent and effective  
28 Emergency Management Director, which entails a multitude of duties  
29 and responsibilities, Mr. Wilson is also an active member of his  
30 community and serves many civic organizations and youth programs,  
31 and he is the loving husband of the former Ann Berry Wilson and  
32 the doting father of their two children, Margo and Tanner; and

33           WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this  
34 dedicated employee, who has dedicated his career to ensure that  
35 Rankin County and surrounding areas receive timely, well-organized  
36 and efficient help during emergencies:

37           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
38 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mr.  
39 Richard Wilson on his receipt of the Mississippi Civil  
40 Defense-Emergency Management Association Board of Directors Award  
41 and for his outstanding career achievements as Emergency  
42 Management Director of Rankin County, and extend to him and his  
43 family the best wishes of the Senate.

44           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
45 furnished to Mr. Richard Wilson and to the members of the Capitol  
46 Press Corps.