

House Resolution 844

By: Representatives Smith of the 12th, Murphy of the 18th, Childers of the 13th and Cummings of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Berry College during its centennial celebration; and inviting
2 Scott Colley, President of Berry College, to appear before the House of Representatives at
3 a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and for
4 other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, Berry College began in 1902, with five boys in attendance at the Boys Industrial
6 School, expanded in 1909 to include the Martha Berry School for Girls, established Berry
7 Junior College in 1926, became a senior college in 1930, and was fully accredited by the
8 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in 1957; and

9 WHEREAS, Berry's integrated education of the head, the heart, and the hands unites a
10 challenging scholastic program with opportunities for spiritual and moral growth, worthwhile
11 work and significant service to others; and

12 WHEREAS, Berry College also offers students an affordable cost, about 25 percent less than
13 the national average for all private colleges and universities, and a setting of great natural and
14 architectural beauty; and

15 WHEREAS, in September, 2001, U.S. News and World Report ranked Berry College first
16 among the 12 state southern region's comprehensive colleges focusing on bachelor's degrees;
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18 WHEREAS, approximately 70 percent of Berry students work on campus each semester,
19 with more than 90 percent of students working on campus during some part of their
20 education; and

21 WHEREAS, Berry College, and its staff, students, and alumni have been assets to the state
22 and the region.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body commend and congratulate Berry College during its centennial
3 celebration.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Scott Colley, President of Berry College, is invited to
5 appear before the House of Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the
6 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Berry College.