

By: Representatives Walker, Brown, Ellis,
Moody, Smith (39th)

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 58
(As Adopted by House)

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE COLUMBUS HIGH
2 SCHOOL FALCONS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING 1998-1999
3 SEASON AND FOR WINNING THE DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP.

4 WHEREAS, the Columbus High School Falcons Basketball Team
5 finished the 1998-1999 season with an outstanding record of 25
6 wins and only five losses, winning the District Championship; and

7 WHEREAS, throughout the Falcons' season, they won several
8 tournaments, including the Saltillo Tournament, the District
9 Tournament and they advanced to the North State Tournament; and

10 WHEREAS, the Falcons have been superbly coached and inspired
11 by Head Coach Sammy Smith and Assistant Coach Paul Ahlrich, who
12 have broadened the players knowledge of the game and refined their
13 skills in execution; and

14 WHEREAS, many individual honors have been bestowed upon the
15 players, including: the naming of Thomas Adams to the
16 All-District Team, the Aberdeen All-Tournament Team and the
17 All-Star Team; the selection of Dennis Dupree to the All-District
18 Team and the Aberdeen All-Tournament Team; and the naming of
19 Cadarral Eddings to the All-District Team and the Aberdeen
20 All-Tournament Team; and

21 WHEREAS, the Falcons have developed a winning and cooperative
22 spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their activities
23 and attitude reflect great credit upon the individual players and
24 their coach and bring honor to Columbus High School; and

25 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
26 recognize and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the

27 young people of our state, who are its future:

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
29 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
30 commend and congratulate the Columbus High School Falcons
31 Basketball Team and Head Coach Sammy Smith and Assistant Coach
32 Paul Ahlrich for their outstanding 1998-1999 season, for winning
33 the District Championship and for displaying tireless devotion to
34 their athletic endeavors.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
36 furnished Columbus High School, Head Coach Sammy Smith and
37 Assistant Coach Paul Ahlrich and to the members of the Capitol
38 Press Corps.