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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 614
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 HARRISON CENTRAL "RED REBELS" BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING ITS
3 THIRD 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

4 WHEREAS, Senior Timmy Bowers scored a game-high 24 points and
5 grabbed 10 rebounds as the No. 1 ranked Harrison Central "Red
6 Rebels" Boys Basketball Team beat No. 4 Murrah High School 63-60
7 in a thrilling overtime victory for the 5A State Championship
8 before a crowd of 5,500 at the Mississippi Coliseum; and

9 WHEREAS, Harrison Central finished the season with an
10 impressive 32-3 record and top-ranked in The Clarion Ledger poll,
11 and through flawless defense won its third state title, which was
12 its first since 1995; and

13 WHEREAS, the Red Rebels won the Gulfport Holiday Classic
14 Tournament, the Forrest County Invitational Tournament and the
15 Division 8 Championship on its way to the 5A State Championship
16 game; and

17 WHEREAS, the 1999-2000 Red Rebels were built around senior
18 starters Timmy Bowers (Mississippi Player of the Year, Top Student
19 Athlete, 3.5 GPA, Player of the Year on Gulf Coast, All-Division,
20 All-South Mississippi, All-Coast, All-Harrison County, All-State),
21 Dewey Turner (All-Division, All-South Mississippi, All-Coast,
22 All-Harrison County, All-State), and 6'8" Devin Davis (All-Coast,
23 All-Harrison County); and

24 WHEREAS, this championship squad was led by Coach Ricky Stone
25 (who played on the state championship team at Stone High School in
26 1979 and coached his alma mater to a state championship in 1991)

27 and Assistant Coach Melvin Holliman (who played on Gulfport's 1979
28 state championship team), and both of these coaches will always
29 remember this team's drive for excellence, and were especially
30 rewarded by this team's academic success; and

31 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the
32 outstanding accomplishment of this group of student athletes, who
33 have brought honor to their school, their community and to the
34 State of Mississippi:

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
36 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
37 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Harrison Central "Red
38 Rebels" Boys Basketball Team for winning its third State 5A
39 Championship, and wish them continued success in their future
40 athletic and academic endeavors.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
42 presented to Coach Ricky Stone on behalf of the team, the
43 Principal of Harrison Central, and be made available to the
44 Capitol Press Corps.