

By: Senator(s) Dickerson, Carmichael,
Harvey, Kirby, Lee, Robertson, Stogner

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 561

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 WAYNE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL WAR EAGLES FOOTBALL TEAM FOR ITS
3 OUTSTANDING 2002-2003 SEASON AND FOR WINNING THE STATE
4 CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Wayne County High School "War Eagles" Football
6 Team capped a 14-1 season a school record for wins with a 21-14
7 victory over previously undefeated and then No. 1 South Panola for
8 their first 5A State Championship; and

9 WHEREAS, throughout their season, the War Eagles
10 participated in several playoffs, which included victories as the
11 5A District Champions, 5A South State Champions and 5A State
12 Champions and were ranked No. 1 in *The Clarion-Ledger* poll and
13 ranked No. 1 in the A.P. poll; and

14 WHEREAS, the War Eagles were superbly coached and inspired by
15 Coach Marcus Boyles; Defensive Coordinator, Todd Mangum; and
16 Assistant Coaches, Tim Blackwell, Marvin Chapman, Joey Culotta,
17 Mike Gavin, Kelly Murphy, Will Mason and Steve Womack; who have
18 broadened the players' knowledge of the game and refined their
19 skills in execution; and

20 WHEREAS, Coach Marcus Boyles has brought additional honor to
21 himself and to Wayne County High School by being selected as Coach
22 of the Year by *The Clarion-Ledger*; and

23 WHEREAS, several of the War Eagles have been recognized for
24 their hard work, dedication and superior playing this season
25 including the naming of Akeem Lofton and Steve Gandy as All-State
26 Players, and the selection of Marzell McGill, Cedric Jones, Akeem
27 Lofton and Steve Gandy as WDAM All-Area Team Members; and



28 WHEREAS, the Wayne County High School War Eagles have
29 developed a winning and cooperative spirit and a superb degree of
30 sportsmanship, and their activities and attitude reflect great
31 credit upon the individual players and their coaches and bring
32 great honor to Wayne County High School; and

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

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
38 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
39 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Wayne County High School
40 "War Eagles" Football Team and Coach Marcus Boyles for their
41 outstanding 2002-2003 season, for winning the 5A State
42 Championship and for displaying tireless devotion to their
43 athletic endeavors.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
45 presented to Wayne County High School, Coach Marcus Boyles and be
46 made available to members of the Capitol Press Corps.

