

By: Senator(s) Gordon

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 75

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE OKOLONA HIGH
2 SCHOOL "CHIEFTAINS" BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACH BOBBY V. FORD
3 FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING 2002-2003 SEASON AND THEIR 4TH STRAIGHT
4 DIVISION 2-2A CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Okolona High School "Chieftains" Boys Basketball
6 Team and Head Coach Bobby V. Ford have completed the 2002-2003
7 season with an outstanding 28-4 record and their 4th straight
8 Division 2-2A Championship; and

9 WHEREAS, the Chieftains have a tradition of success in
10 tournament play, winning the Hatley Invitational Tournament, the
11 Tupelo and Booneville Kiwanis Tournaments, the Calhoun City Curtis
12 Loggins Classic and winning the 2003 North-State Regional
13 Tournament Championship on their way to the MHSAA State
14 Tournament, which the Chieftains won in 2002; and

15 WHEREAS, several team members have achieved the following
16 individual honors: Reggie Gunn, All-District, District Player of
17 the Year 2002 and 2003, All-North-State 2001, 2002 and 2003,
18 All-State in 2002 and 2003; Kareem Moore, All-District 2002 and
19 2003, All-North-State 2002 and 2003, All-State 2001, 2002 and
20 2003; Tyronza Parker, All-District 2002 and 2003, All-North-State
21 2003 and All-State 2002; and

22 WHEREAS, this team has been ably led by Head Coach Bobby V.
23 Ford whose coaching philosophy is "it's all about helping the kids
24 mature and grow as young people, and helping them understand the
25 value of hardwork and teamwork"; and

26 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the
27 accomplishments of this group of student athletes who have brought
28 honor to their school and to their community:



29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
30 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the
31 Okolona High School "Chieftains" Boys Basketball Team and Coach
32 Bobby Ford for their outstanding 2002-2003 season and their 4th
33 straight Division 2-2A Championship and wish them continued
34 success in their future athletic and academic endeavors.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be furnished to
36 the Chieftains Basketball Team and Coach Ford and the Principal of
37 Okolona High School and be made available to the Capitol Press
38 Corps.

