

By: Representatives Barnett, Moak

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE BROOKHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE
2 BOWL TEAM ON WINNING THE MISSISSIPPI REGIONAL SCIENCE BOWL
3 COMPETITION.

4 WHEREAS, the Brookhaven High School Science Bowl Team won
5 first place in the Mississippi Regional Science Bowl Competition
6 by defeating the Mississippi School for Math and Science (MSMS) in
7 a tough, double tie-breaking, test of knowledge; and

8 WHEREAS, sponsored by the United States Department of Energy,
9 NASA and the Mississippi University for Women, the Mississippi
10 Regional Science Bowl Competition, is an annual qualifying
11 competition for the National Science Bowl, testing students'
12 knowledge in the areas of astronomy, biology, chemistry, earth
13 science, math and physics; and

14 WHEREAS, the Brookhaven High School Science Bowl Team,
15 consisting of Tabitha McKee, Natalie Wolfe, Brandon Russell,
16 Patrick Ayers and Tucker Brady, through their intellectual
17 prowess, won an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., to
18 compete for the national title; and

19 WHEREAS, in the regional competition of 12 teams from across
20 the state, Brookhaven High School defeated Walnut High School
21 62-58 on a tie-breaker and 44-12 and East Webster 128-8, 66-18 and
22 86-8, before defeating MSMS Team II 56-52 to advance to the
23 finals, pitting them against MSMS Team I to clinch the victory by
24 a score of 50-34 and securing their spot to contend for the
25 national title; and

26 WHEREAS, Team Captain Brandon Russell received additional
27 honors and recognition as the top individual scorer for the

28 regional competition with a record-setting 35 correct responses,
29 ousting the previous record of 30 correct responses by an
30 individual; and

31 WHEREAS, the Brookhaven High School Science Bowl Team has
32 been superbly coached and inspired by Coach Leah Ann Peavy, who,
33 in addition to other members of the Brookhaven High School
34 teaching staff, has broadened the members' knowledge of the
35 competition and refined their skills in execution; and

36 WHEREAS, contributing numerous hours of preparation by
37 studying the necessary subjects and meeting on occasion to share
38 their information, the members of the Brookhaven High School
39 Science Bowl Team have developed a winning and cooperative spirit
40 and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their activities and
41 attitudes reflect great credit upon the individual members and
42 their coach; and

43 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
44 commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the youth of our
45 state, who are its future:

46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
47 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
48 commend and congratulate the Brookhaven High School Science Bowl
49 Team and their coach, Leah Ann Peavy, for an outstanding display
50 of witty, intuitive and intellectual wealth of knowledge to win
51 the Mississippi Regional Science Bowl Competition and advancing to
52 the national level of competition and express our warmest wishes
53 for success in all their future endeavors.

54 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
55 furnished to each member of the Brookhaven High School Science
56 Bowl Team, Coach Leah Ann Peavy, Brookhaven High School and to the
57 members of the Capitol Press Corps.