

By: Representatives Patterson, Bentz, Janus To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 48

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE BILOXI HIGH
2 SCHOOL INDIANS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR ITS OUTSTANDING 2003-2004
3 SEASON AND FOR WINNING THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
4 ASSOCIATION (MHSAA) CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Biloxi High School Indians Basketball Team
6 finished the 2003-2004 season with a remarkable record of 24 wins
7 and 7 losses; and

8 WHEREAS, throughout the regular season and playoffs, the
9 Indians fought and defeated many well-contended teams, and
10 captured the Mississippi High School Activities Association
11 (MHSAA) Class 5A State Championship, defeating the Hattiesburg
12 High School Tigers 70-60; and

13 WHEREAS, the 2003-2004 team for the Biloxi High School
14 Indians entered the playoffs unranked in *The Clarion-Ledger* MHSAA
15 poll and won the Class 5A Region 8 District VIII Champions, its
16 fourth 5A state title and the second title for Coach John Pugh in
17 the past four years; and

18 WHEREAS, many individual honors have been bestowed upon
19 various team members in recognition of their fine, dedicated and
20 superior play and their hard work this season, including the
21 naming of Decarlos Riley, Devin Butler and J'Varis Nunn as
22 All-Conference Players and the selection of Germaine Parker as
23 Championship Player of the Game; and

24 WHEREAS, the Biloxi High School Indians have been superbly
25 coached and inspired by Head Coach John Pugh and Assistant Coaches
26 Monty Noblitt, Joe Nelson and Seber Windham, who have broadened
27 the Indians' knowledge of the game and refined their skills in
28 execution; and

29 WHEREAS, the Indians have been supported in their athletic
30 endeavors and can attribute much of their success to the many
31 parents, fans and supporters whose moral and spiritual
32 encouragement have remained fervent throughout the season; and

33 WHEREAS, the Indians have developed a winning and cooperative
34 spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their activities
35 and attitude reflect great credit upon the individual players and
36 their coaches and bring honor to Biloxi High School; and

37 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
38 recognize and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the
39 youth of our state, who are its future:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
41 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
42 commend and congratulate the Biloxi High School Indians Basketball
43 Team and their coaches, Head Coach John Pugh and Assistant Coaches
44 Monty Noblitt, Joe Nelson and Seber Windham for their phenomenal
45 2003-2004 season, for winning the MHSAA Class 5A State
46 Championship and for displaying tireless devotion to their
47 athletic endeavors.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
49 furnished to Biloxi High School, Head Coach John Pugh, Assistant
50 Coaches Monty Noblitt, Joe Nelson, Seber Windham and to the
51 members of the Capitol Press Corps.