

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.