

By: Senator(s) Browning

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 612

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING  
2 PONTOTOC HIGH SCHOOL COACH MIKE BAIN UPON BEING NAMED 2003  
3 NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR.

4 WHEREAS, Mike Bain, one of Mississippi's most winning boys  
5 cross-country coaches, has recently been named 2003 National Coach  
6 of the Year; and

7 WHEREAS, Bain, a highly acclaimed coach in the South, won the  
8 designation from the National Federation of State High School  
9 Association; and

10 WHEREAS, the following criteria is used in selecting the NFHS  
11 Coaches Association's coaches of the year: career coaching  
12 record; community service; involvement in other school activities;  
13 involvement in coaching profession at local, state and national  
14 levels; and philosophy of athletics; and

15 WHEREAS, in the first years of cross-country, starting a  
16 cross-country team was difficult, and Coach Bain would often dig  
17 into his own pocket to buy uniforms because there was no school  
18 budget for it; and

19 WHEREAS, Coach Bain's persistence paid off, making the boys  
20 cross-country competition at Pontotoc High School one of the most  
21 successful programs in the state; and

22 WHEREAS, Bain's record at Pontotoc High School speaks for  
23 itself, where he has amassed 203 wins versus 29 losses with 16  
24 state championships and 8 runners-up; and

25 WHEREAS, his teams have finished either first or second in 24  
26 of his 26 seasons at Pontotoc High School; and

27           WHEREAS, Coach Bain will be presented with a plaque in honor  
28 of this national award by the Mississippi High School Activities  
29 Association later this spring; and

30           WHEREAS, Coach Bain is a three-time Mississippi Coach of the  
31 Year and a two-time Southeast Regional Coach of the Year (1986 and  
32 2003); and

33           WHEREAS, Coach Bain believes that coaching is about helping  
34 kids develop physically, mentally and spiritually, and helping  
35 kids understand that they can accomplish great things if they  
36 believe in themselves and are willing to work for it; and

37           WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the special  
38 accomplishment of this outstanding cross-country coach, who has  
39 brought honor to his school, his community and to the State of  
40 Mississippi:

41           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
42 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
43 we do hereby commend and congratulate Pontotoc High School Coach  
44 Mike Bain upon being named 2003 National Coach of the Year, and  
45 wish him continued success in his future athletic endeavors.

46           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
47 Coach Bain and his family, and be made available to the Principal  
48 of Pontotoc High School and the Capitol Press Corps.