By: Representatives Snowden, Denny, Dickson, To: Rules Gunn, Horne, Martinson, Robinson (84th), Young

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 63

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING JACK MALLETTE ON 1 BEING SELECTED AS THE 2004 STATE GAMES OF MISSISSIPPI MALE ATHLETE 2 3 OF THE YEAR. 4 WHEREAS, Jack Mallette of Madison, Mississippi, was selected as the 2004 State Games of Mississippi Male Athlete of the Year; 5 and 6 7 WHEREAS, the award seeks to honor those athletes who 8 personify the ideals of the State Games movement, such as 9 participation, sportsmanship, achievement, effort and positive 10 attitude; and WHEREAS, a ten-year participant in the State Games, 11 12 Mr. Mallette participated in the swimming and track and field 13 events, compiling 108 State Games medals in his fields of competition, and winning an unprecedented 15 gold medals in the 14 15 2004 games; and WHEREAS, at 44 years of age, Mr. Mallette, who is a former 16 age-group A.A.U. State Champion swimmer and local swim coach, was 17 18 also the 2003 and 2004 State Games of Mississippi Male Master 19 Swimmer of the Year; and 20 WHEREAS, supported by his wife, Jenny, and children, T.J., 21 Elise and Mary Kate, Mr. Mallette represents a dedicated spirit, whose sportsmanship is exhibited through his interaction with his 22 peers and his congratulatory remarks to his fellow athletes; and 23 WHEREAS, Mr. Mallette is focused in his preparation for these 24 events, has worked hard to master each skill and is an all-around 25 26 athlete; and

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27 WHEREAS, Jack Mallette demonstrates the true spirit of the 28 State Games of Mississippi, as he is committed to doing his best, 29 enjoys the competition and has respect for the athletes, 30 volunteers and staff who work, plan and implement this annual 31 classic; and WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to 32 recognize and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the 33 34 citizens of our state:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Jack Mallette on being selected as the State Games of Mississippi Male Athlete of the Year and express our heartiest wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 42 furnished to Jack Mallette and to the members of the Capitol Press 43 Corps.