

By: Representatives Gunn, Banks, Calhoun,
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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 98

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL ARROWS SOCCER TEAM FOR ITS OUTSTANDING
3 2005-2006 SEASON AND FOR WINNING THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL
4 ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION (MHSAA) CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Clinton High School Arrows Soccer Team finished
6 the 2005-2006 season with a remarkable record of 22 wins, three
7 losses and four ties; and

8 WHEREAS, throughout the regular season and playoffs, the
9 Arrows fought and defeated many well-trained teams, and captured
10 the Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA) Class
11 5A State Championship for the second straight year with an 8-0
12 undefeated record in state playoffs and outscoring their opponents
13 17-1; and

14 WHEREAS, many individual honors have been bestowed upon
15 various team members in recognition of their fine, dedicated and
16 superior play and their hard work this season, including the
17 selection of Michael Goodlett as "Mr. Soccer"; the naming of
18 Michael Goodlett, Michael Pardue and Barry Prather to the
19 All-State Team; the selection of Michael Goodlett, Michael Pardue,
20 Grant Gibson, Logan Barksdale, Brett DiBiase, Hunter Evans, Barry
21 Prather, Lance Barksdale and Jake Milstead to the All-District
22 Team; and

23 WHEREAS, senior players: Grant Gibson, Neal Usry, Kirby
24 Swann, Michael Goodlett, Osa Ogiamien, Hunter Evans, Brett DiBiase
25 and Michael Pardue, have played in three state championships in
26 their four years, and were South State Champions, two-time North
27 State Champions, Class 5A runner up and two-time Class 5A State
28 Champions; and

29 WHEREAS, several members of the team were athletic standouts
30 in their efforts, as evidenced by the 24 season goals of junior
31 Brandon Prather, the 16 team assists of sophomore Logan Barksdale,
32 senior Michael Goodlett's 14 shutouts and sophomore Taylor McKee's
33 3 game-winning play off goals and the game-winning state
34 championship clincher; and

35 WHEREAS, the Arrows have been superbly coached and inspired
36 by Head Coach Jeff Long and Assistant Coach Jake Martin, who have
37 broadened the Arrows' knowledge of the game and refined their
38 skills in execution; and

39 WHEREAS, Head Coach Jeff Long has brought additional honor to
40 himself and to Clinton High School by being named the 2005-2006
41 South Sectional High School Coach of the Year and one of four
42 coaches nationwide nominated for the National High School Coach of
43 the Year; and

44 WHEREAS, the Arrows have been supported in their athletic
45 endeavors and can attribute much of their success to the many
46 parents, fans and supporters whose moral and spiritual
47 encouragement have remained fervent throughout the season; and

48 WHEREAS, the Arrows have developed a winning and cooperative
49 spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their activities
50 and attitude reflect great credit upon the individual players and
51 their coaches and bring honor to Clinton High School; and

52 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
53 and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the youth of
54 our state, who are its future:

55 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
56 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
57 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Clinton
58 High School Arrows Soccer Team and their coaches, Head Coach Jeff
59 Long and Assistant Coach Jake Martin for their phenomenal
60 2005-2006 season, for winning the MHSAA Class 5A State

61 Championship and for displaying tireless devotion to their
62 athletic endeavors.

63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
64 furnished to Clinton High School, Head Coach Jeff Long, Assistant
65 Coach Jake Martin and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.