

By: Representatives Rotenberry, Baker
(74th), Malone, Moore, Reeves, Rogers (61st),
Smith (59th), Weathersby

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 50

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 PUCKETT HIGH SCHOOL WOLVES FOOTBALL TEAM UPON WINNING THE CLASS 1A
3 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AND HAVING AN UNDEFEATED RECORD FOR THE 2006
4 SEASON.

5 WHEREAS, the Puckett High School Wolves Football Team have
6 clinched yet another golden football to display in the trophy case
7 after defeating East Webster by a score of 38-20, and thus laying
8 claim to the 2006 Class 1A State Championship; and

9 WHEREAS, before an estimated crowd of 5,500 cheering fans,
10 the Wolves made a triumphant return to the championship ranks for
11 the first time in four years after having won their first Class 1A
12 State Championship title in 2002; and

13 WHEREAS, ably coached by Head Coach Jaris Patrick and
14 assisted by Lance Dodson, Ben Dew and Jason Moore, who have
15 broadened the Wolves' knowledge of the game and refined their
16 skills in execution, the team took the field in its championship
17 game for its first daytime game this season; and

18 WHEREAS, the combined efforts of Puckett Backs Jonathan
19 Cameron and Matt Willis accounted for four touchdowns, and the
20 Wolves' defense forced six East Webster turnovers, sealing the
21 team's bid for the state title; and

22 WHEREAS, Puckett completed its championship run perfectly,
23 finishing the 2006 campaign with an unblemished record of 14-0,
24 scored 581 points in the championship season and allowed only 105;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, after claiming a state championship in his third
27 season as head coach, Jaris Patrick has set his expectations on

28 the Wolves' winning the 2007 title as well, in spite of losing
29 eight seniors from the team; and

30 WHEREAS, many special and individual awards have been
31 bestowed upon various individuals in recognition of their fine,
32 dedicated and superior play and coaching this season, including:
33 Head Coach Jaris Patrick, who was named Class 1A "Coach of the
34 Year"; Wesley Purvis, who was named Class 1A First Team
35 Linebacker; Jonathan Cameron, who was also named Class 1A First
36 Team Linebacker; Matthew Willis, who was named Class 1A Second
37 Team Running Back; Pat Cook, Second Team Guard; Nathan Sullivan,
38 Second Team Center; Dewayne Floyd, Second Team Tackle; and Wilbert
39 Lee, Second Team Study Safety; and

40 WHEREAS, the Puckett Wolves have developed a winning and
41 cooperative spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their
42 activities and attitudes reflect great credit upon the individual
43 players and their coaches and bring honor to Puckett High School;
44 and

45 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
46 and commend the achievements of such outstanding Mississippians as
47 these student athletes who have brought honor to their school,
48 their community and to the State of Mississippi:

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
50 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
51 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Puckett
52 High School Wolves Football Team and Head Coach Jaris Patrick for
53 winning the Class 1A State Championship, for their undefeated 2006
54 season, and extend best wishes for continued success in all of
55 their future athletic and academic endeavors.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
57 furnished to Puckett High School, Head Coach Jaris Patrick and to
58 the members of the Capitol Press Corps.