

By: Representatives Patterson, Palazzo,
Janus, Davis

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 62

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING DAMION FLETCHER FOR
2 WINNING NUMEROUS AWARDS AND BREAKING VARIOUS RECORDS AS A FRESHMAN
3 DURING HIS 2006 FOOTBALL SEASON WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
4 MISSISSIPPI GOLDEN EAGLES.

5 WHEREAS, Damion Fletcher is a true freshman who has been a
6 welcomed addition to the University of Southern Mississippi Golden
7 Eagles Football Team; and

8 WHEREAS, during his 2006 football season as a freshman, he
9 won numerous awards and broke several records; and

10 WHEREAS, in his debut game, he rushed 89 yards and caught two
11 passes for 38 yards against the National Champions, the Florida
12 Gators, and was named the Conference USA Offensive Player of the
13 Week when he rushed for 177 yards and scored three touchdowns
14 against North Carolina State in the third game of the season; and

15 WHEREAS, Damion set a USM and Conference USA freshman record
16 when he scored 11 touchdowns and rushed for a total of 1,388 yards
17 this season with an average of 106 yards per game; and

18 WHEREAS, he was also the top true freshman runner in the
19 nation and now ranks 11th among all running backs in rushing yards
20 nationally; and

21 WHEREAS, he also has a USM school record with seven 100-yard
22 rushing performances; and

23 WHEREAS, Damion was named Freshman All-American by five
24 different organizations, earned First Team All-Conference USA and
25 was on the All-Conference USA Freshman Team; and

26 WHEREAS, when the USM Golden Eagles won the GMAC Bowl in
27 Mobile, Alabama, on January 7, 2007, by a score of 28-7, Damion
28 rushed 58 yards, had three catches for 28 yards, and scored two

29 touchdowns to become the Most Valuable Player in the GMAC Bowl
30 Game; and

31 WHEREAS, he was a finalist for the Conerly Trophy, which
32 solidifies him as the best college football player in the state
33 and won the 2006 Cellular South Fans Choice Award at the ceremony
34 for that trophy; and

35 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature of the State of
36 Mississippi to recognize outstanding athletes who bring honor to
37 their schools and state:

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
39 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
40 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend Damion Fletcher for winning
41 numerous awards and breaking various records as a freshman during
42 his 2006 football season with the University Of Southern
43 Mississippi Golden Eagles.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
45 furnished to the family of Damion Fletcher, the University of
46 Southern Mississippi and to the members of the Capitol Press
47 Corps.