

By: Representative Arinder

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 93

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 FOREST HIGH SCHOOL BEARCATS BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACH ROY
3 PINKSTON FOR WINNING THE CLASS 3A MHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

4 WHEREAS, on Thursday, March 8, 2007, the Forest High School
5 Bearcats Boys Basketball Team beat Carthage 70-50 in a "battle for
6 bragging rights" game to win the Mississippi Class 3A Mississippi
7 High School Activities Association State Championship at the
8 Coliseum in Jackson, Mississippi; and

9 WHEREAS, finishing the season with an impressive 32-4 record,
10 the Bearcats team not only lay claim to the state title, but also
11 made school history by winning its first state basketball
12 championship; and

13 WHEREAS, in pursuit of the gold during the entire season, the
14 Bearcats were a force to be reckoned with on the court as
15 evidenced by its having won the Scott County Championship, the
16 Division 5 3A Championship, the South Mississippi 3A Championship
17 and the Central Mississippi Classic Championship; and

18 WHEREAS, the Bearcats were superbly coached and inspired by
19 Head Coach Roy Pinkston and Assistant Coach Shelton Thomas, who
20 have broadened the players' knowledge of the game and refined
21 their skills in execution; and

22 WHEREAS, several of the Bearcats have been recognized for
23 their hard work, dedication and superior play this season,
24 including the naming of Vincente Parker as most valuable player;
25 the selection of Rod Lofton as most valuable player for the
26 Division VI and South State Tournaments; and the naming of Rod

27 Lofton, Ahmad Summers, Jeffery Crump and Robert Lee Williams as
28 members of the All-Division Team; and

29 WHEREAS, the Forest High School Bearcats have developed a
30 winning and cooperative spirit and a superb degree of
31 sportsmanship and their activities and attitude reflect great
32 credit upon the individual players and their coaches and bring
33 great honor to Forest High School; and

34 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
35 the special accomplishments of this group of student athletes who
36 have brought honor to their school, their community and to the
37 State of Mississippi:

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 and congratulate the Forest
41 High School Bearcats Boys Basketball Team for winning the Class 3A
42 MHSAA State Championship and extend warmest wishes for continued
43 success in all of their future athletic and academic endeavors.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
45 furnished to Forest High School, Head Coach Roy Pinkston,
46 Assistant Coach Shelton Thomas and to the members of the Capitol
47 Press Corps.