

By: Senator(s) Michel

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE RIDGELAND HIGH
2 SCHOOL "LADY TITANS" GIRLS SOCCER TEAM FOR THEIR FIFTH CONSECUTIVE
3 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

4 WHEREAS, Rachel Givan's goal in the 71st minute was the
5 game-winner as Ridgeland High School "Lady Titans" Girls Soccer
6 Team defeated Long Beach 2-1 in the Class 4A State Championship
7 game at Millsaps College's Harper Davis Field on Saturday,
8 February 10, 2007; and

9 WHEREAS, the title was the fifth straight for Ridgeland
10 (20-2-2), ranked No. 2 by *The Clarion-Ledger*; and

11 WHEREAS, Rachel Givan, a North Carolina signee, spent the
12 past five years building her legacy as the best girls soccer
13 player in Mississippi history. It took just a split second in the
14 championship game, and a powerful shot off her left foot, for the
15 Ridgeland High School Senior to add the exclamation point. The
16 final goal of her high school career lifted Ridgeland to the Class
17 4A State Championship at Millsaps College's Harper Davis Field
18 before an estimated crowd of 1,000; and

19 WHEREAS, "I couldn't have written a script any better," said
20 Ridgeland Coach Josh Avenmarg. While Givan clutched the State
21 Championship trophy after her goal in the 71st minute, Coach
22 Avenmarg stood at midfield holding up five fingers - representing
23 each of the state titles the team has won in the school's
24 five-year existence. Becca MacNeill also scored for the Lady
25 Titans; and

26 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
27 singular achievement by a team of student athletes which has

28 brought honor to their school, their community and to the State of
29 Mississippi:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
31 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the
32 Ridgeland High School "Lady Titans" Girls Soccer Team and Coach
33 Josh Avenmarg for their fifth consecutive Class 4A State
34 Championship and extend to them the best wishes of the Senate in
35 their future athletic and academic endeavors.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
37 Coach Avenmarg for the team and the Principal of Ridgeland High
38 School and be forwarded to the Madison County Board of Education
39 and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.