By: Senator(s) Walls, Simmons, Clarke, Jackson (11th)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 645

1	A CONCURRI	ENT RESOLU	TION COMMEND	ING AND C	ONGRATULAT	ING THE
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- 2 WEST BOLIVAR HIGH SCHOOL "EAGLES" BASKETBALL TEAM AND HEAD COACH
- 3 WILLIE THOMAS FOR WINNING THE CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.
- 4 WHEREAS, Wesley Lloyd's tipped pass with 6 seconds left
- 5 secured the West Bolivar High School Eagles 51-49 win on March 4,
- 6 2010, over Baldwyn in a wild, wacky finish to the Class 2A State
- 7 Championship game at the Mississippi Coliseum; and
- 8 WHEREAS, West Bolivar got revenge from a stinging loss to
- 9 Baldwyn which ended West Bolivar's 18-game win streak, beating the
- 10 Eagles to win the North 2A Championship, a game played at Baldwyn.
- 11 That sent West Bolivar to Jackson as a No. 2 seed, forcing Coach
- 12 Willie Thomas' team into a semifinal match with South champ and
- 13 defending state champion Hinds AHS. The Eagles beat Hinds and
- 14 then clipped Baldwyn for title, and some retribution; and
- WHEREAS, Cord Walker, the game MVP, led West Bolivar with 17
- 16 points; and
- 17 WHEREAS, "We've been waiting for this for a longtime," Coach
- 18 Willie Thomas said, "not just our team but our Mississippi Delta
- 19 community"; and
- 20 WHEREAS, this season was the culmination of an excellent
- 21 history of playoff appearances for the Eagles. The 2009-2010
- 22 season marked the Eagles 18th Division Championship, its 26th
- 23 Playoff Appearance and its 5th State Championship; and
- 24 WHEREAS, the team was led by Head Coach Willie Thomas who
- 25 thanked the Rosedale community for making 2009-2010 a successful
- 26 season which "represented a win for the entire Mississippi Delta";
- 27 and

- 28 WHEREAS, the West Bolivar Eagles' 2009-2010 Basketball Team
- 29 Roster is: Cord Walker, Wesley Lloyd, Davion King, Mack Foster,
- 30 Jr., Millaun Brown, Jeremy Smith, Emanuel Ford, Terrance Matthews,
- 31 Roosevelt Matthews (Mgr), Frank Fields, Ladarian Shavers, Jacory
- 32 Lee, Kylan Johnson, Terrance Johnson, Larry Walker, Ladarian
- 33 Tucker, Rodney Barnett (Mgr) and Ryan Flore (Scorer); Head Coach
- 34 Willie E. Thomas and Assistant Coach Cedric Armstrong; and
- 35 WHEREAS, it is with pride that we recognize the special
- 36 accomplishments of this team which brought honor and identity to
- 37 their school, the Mississippi Delta and to the State of
- 38 Mississippi:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 40 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
- 41 we do hereby commend and congratulate the West Bolivar High School
- 42 "Eagles" Basketball Team and Head Coach Willie Thomas for their
- 43 Class 2A State Championship and their outstanding 2009-2010
- 44 season, and extend to them the best wishes of the Legislature for
- 45 future scholastic and athletic successes.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
- 47 Coach Thomas, the team, the Superintendent and Principal of West
- 48 Bolivar, and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.