

By: Representative Busby

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL EAGLES FOOTBALL TEAM UPON WINNING THE
3 1A SOUTH STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

4 WHEREAS, the Resurrection Catholic School Eagles Football
5 Team wrapped up a historic season thrashing the Lumberton Panthers
6 in the Class 1A South State Championship; and

7 WHEREAS, with unshakeable nerve, the unbeaten and top ranked
8 Eagles entered the South State Championship at home in War
9 Memorial Stadium on November 27, 2015, with a 12-0 record; and

10 WHEREAS, the underdogs by any measure, the Eagles entered the
11 playoffs for the very first time, while the Panthers had won four
12 Class 2A State titles overall before dropping down to Class 1A
13 three seasons ago; and

14 WHEREAS, a resurrection indeed, the Eagles football team rose
15 from the grave in 2009, and after playing two seasons as an
16 independent team and in the Louisiana private league, they were
17 able to join the Mississippi High School Activities Association in
18 2011; and



19 WHEREAS, for the first time in school history, the Eagles
20 went into this game with an outstanding 12-0 record, and joined an
21 elite list of prep football teams in Jackson County to venture so
22 deep into postseason with perfect marks, with only four other
23 Jackson County teams reaching 12-0 in the past 45 years of action
24 on the gridiron; and

25 WHEREAS, after beating Lumberton for the South State Title,
26 the Eagles received the honor of competing in the Class 1A State
27 Championship game at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium in Oxford; and

28 WHEREAS, the Eagles' dominant defense was the foundation of
29 this year's team, and this disruptive force achieved three
30 consecutive shutouts prior to the South State Title game and an
31 astonishing eight shutouts during the entire season of play,
32 making the team an unstoppable powerhouse in the State of
33 Mississippi; and

34 WHEREAS, the state championship game against Hollandale
35 Simmons was historic for many reasons, not least of which because
36 it was the first matchup of undefeated schools for a state title
37 since 2010 and the first ever game in Mississippi in which neither
38 team trailed in a game during the season; and

39 WHEREAS, through outstanding leadership and inspiration of
40 Resurrection's Head Coach Scott Sisson, the Eagles were ready for
41 every obstacle that came their way with high energy and a great
42 attitude; and



43 WHEREAS, not only are the Eagles treading on new ground,
44 Coach Sisson has made history by becoming the first head football
45 coach in Jackson County to lead three different football teams to
46 the state playoffs; and

47 WHEREAS, though the season is over, Coach Sisson has an eye
48 to the future, realizing that in three years Resurrection has
49 become known for the intimidating way the team takes over the
50 football field, as the Eagles have won 24 out of their past 27
51 games and their entire offense will be returning, so there is
52 truly much to look forward to; and

53 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
54 and honor the achievements of such tenacious student athletes as
55 the Resurrection Catholic School Eagles Football Team, who have
56 brought honor to their school, their community, and to the State
57 of Mississippi:

58 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
59 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
60 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the
61 Resurrection Catholic School Eagles Football Team and Head Coach
62 Scott Sisson for winning the Mississippi High School Activities
63 Association Class 1A South State Championship, for the first time
64 in school history, and extend best wishes to the team and coaches
65 for continued success in all of their future and academic
66 endeavors.



67 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
68 furnished to Head Coach Scott Sisson, Resurrection Catholic School
69 and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

