

By: Representative Rogers (61st)

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MR.
2 CHRIS BARNETT UPON BEING NAMED 2015 MISSISSIPPI BOYS CROSS COUNTRY
3 COACH OF THE YEAR.

4 WHEREAS, the United States Track & Field and Cross Country
5 Coaches Association awarded Mr. Chris Barnett, coach of the Pearl
6 High School Cross Country Team, the honor of Mississippi's 2015
7 Coach of the Year after his team proved to have no equal
8 throughout the 2015 season; and

9 WHEREAS, Coach Barnett earned this award based on his team's
10 many outstanding performances, their placement in the State
11 Championships, the margins of victory, performances against ranked
12 opponents and the team's overall success over the course of the
13 2015 season; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach Barnett's 2015 team demonstrated incomparable
15 success throughout their season, beating 200 of the 202 teams they
16 faced in 9 meets and winning their school's 19th 6A State
17 Championship, by a record margin of 78 points; and



18 WHEREAS, over the course of the season Coach Barnett's team
19 also proved to possess unrivaled consistency and preparation, as
20 evidenced by all five Pearl High School runners being awarded
21 All-State honors for their individual contributions to the team;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, after winning the 6A State Championship, Pearl High
24 School finished the season ranked Number 1 by Mississippi
25 MileSplit and Coach Barnett's team finished the season undefeated
26 against all other Mississippi schools, proving themselves truly
27 worthy of their final Number 1 ranking; and

28 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
29 outstanding leadership and the achievements of exceptional
30 individuals like Coach Barnett, whose leadership has provided a
31 positive example for many young Mississippians, and by his example
32 he has proven that through hard work and dedication there is no
33 ceiling for success:

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
35 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
36 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mr. Chris
37 Barnett, Coach of the Pearl High School Boys Cross Country Team,
38 upon being named the 2015 Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year and
39 extend best wishes for continued success in all of his future
40 endeavors.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
42 furnished to Coach Chris Barnett, Pearl High School Athletic



43 Director Mr. Richard Smithhart, Pearl High School Principal Mr.
44 Chris Chism and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

