

By: Senator(s) Massey, Blackwell,
Fillingane, McMahan, Parker, Jackson (11th),
Jackson (32nd)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 524

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 HERNANDO HIGH SCHOOL "MARCHING TIGERS" BAND AND DIRECTOR LEN
3 KILLOUGH FOR WINNING CONSECUTIVE CLASS 6A STATE MARCHING BAND
4 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

5 WHEREAS, for the second straight year, the Hernando High
6 School "Marching Tigers" won the Class 6A State Marching Band
7 Championship on October 29, 2015, in Pearl, Mississippi. Both of
8 Hernando's State Championships have come under the direction of
9 Len Killough; and

10 WHEREAS, the Hernando Marching Tigers have worked
11 exceptionally hard since July when Band Camp began. They have
12 also competed in multiple local competitions, winning several
13 awards. The students and staff have gone above and beyond to do
14 their best and achieve their goals through hard work and
15 discipline. The band also has an exceptional "field crew" made up
16 of many parents who volunteered much of their time; and

17 WHEREAS, "DeSoto County bands work so hard to get where we
18 are," Hernando High School Drum Major Victor Walton said. "I am
19 proud of DeSoto County and Hernando. The band worked since July



20 to do an eight-minute show. All the long hours and long practices
21 paid off when the band won. The Hernando Band is a family of
22 friends"; and

23 WHEREAS, Hernando High School Principal Freddie Joseph said
24 he was greatly pleased with his school's achievement. "I am very
25 proud of our students and directors for the hard work they put in
26 each and every day to prepare for this competition. Winning
27 back-to-back State Championships against the quality of
28 competition we faced was amazing. Hard work pays off and our band
29 is well-deserving of this honor"; and

30 WHEREAS, what began as a goal to win State Championships
31 turned into much more; and it is with great pride that we
32 recognize this dedicated group of student musicians who have
33 brought honor to their school, their community and to the State of
34 Mississippi:

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
36 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
37 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Hernando High School
38 "Marching Tigers" Band and Director Len Killough for winning
39 consecutive Class 6A State Marching Band Championships, and extend
40 the best wishes of the Legislature to the band, directors, parents
41 and sponsors for future success.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
43 the Director of the Marching Tigers Band and Hernando High School



44 Principal Freddie Joseph, forwarded to the DeSoto County Board of
45 Education, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

