By: Senator(s) Blackwell, Massey, Parker, Barnett, Burton, Jackson (32nd), McDaniel

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 607

- A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
  DESOTO CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL "JAGUARS" BOWLING TEAM AND COACH CODY
  GILBERT FOR WINNING THE MHSAA CLASS II STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.
- WHEREAS, we join the excitement in DeSoto County as the
- 5 DeSoto Central High School "Jaguars" Bowling Team claimed the
- 6 MHSAA Class II State Boys Bowling Championship on February 20,
- 7 2016, at the Metro 24 Bowling Center in Jackson, Mississippi; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the Jaguar boys finished the season 9-0 in matches,
- 9 won the North Class II Regional, and the Class II State Title by
- 10 defeating Tupelo 3-1 in the Baker System format to win its first
- 11 State Bowling Championship; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Cole Neal and AJ Lancaster were recognized as two of
- 13 the top five bowlers in overall average. Led by seniors Matthew
- 14 Palmer, Jordan Nichols and Josh Farist, the team shot a total of
- 15 3,893 pins; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in the Baker Systtem format that determined the
- 17 Champion, the top two teams with the highest total scores played a
- 18 best of five series; and

19	WHEREAS, DeSoto Central got out to a 2-0 lead in the series
20	and Tupelo won game three. The Jaguars won the series in game
21	four to clinch the State Championship; and
22	WHEREAS, "I always tell the guys to stay calm and focused,"
23	said Coach Cody Gilbert. "This team has worked hard all year and
24	being State Champs was on their mind from day one"; and
25	WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these
26	student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their
27	community and to the State of Mississippi:
28	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
29	MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
30	we do hereby commend and congratulate the DeSoto Central High
31	School "Jaguars" Bowling Team and Coach Cody Gilbert for winning
32	the MHSAA Class II State Championship, and extend to the team,
33	coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes for future success.
34	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
35	Coach Cody Gilbert for the team, Principal Cliff Johnston,
36	forwarded to the DeSoto County Board of Education, and made
37	available to the Capitol Press Corps.