

By: Representative Tullos

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 49

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
 2 MIZE HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND AND BAND DIRECTOR PATRICK VINCENT
 3 FOR WINNING THE 2017 MISSISSIPPI BANDMASTERS
 4 ASSOCIATION/MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION (MHSAA)
 5 CLASS 2A STATE MARCHING BAND CHAMPIONSHIP.

6 WHEREAS, for the first time ever in the school's history, the
 7 Mize High School Pride Marching Band won the 2017 Mississippi
 8 Bandmasters Association/Mississippi High School Activities
 9 Association Class 2A State Marching Band Championship on Saturday,
 10 November 4, 2017, accomplishing a feat that has been a coveted
 11 prize for the student musicians; and

12 WHEREAS, scored on music, marching, visual and general
 13 effects, the band competed against several well-contended bands
 14 throughout the state in what proved to be a long day of events
 15 after traveling to Pearl High School to embark upon the
 16 performance of a lifetime; and

17 WHEREAS, the band program, led by fifth-year Mize Band
 18 Director Patrick Vincent, with the assistance of his wife Emily,
 19 who serves as color guard instructor and band assistant, stunned



20 the crowd and awed the judges at Pearl High School with a riveting
21 performance of "Starry Night," in tribute to Vincent Van Gogh's
22 creation of the famous painting bearing the performance's
23 namesake, arranged by Randall Standridge and drill design by
24 Robert Strunks; and

25 WHEREAS, deflecting the praise lauded upon himself and his
26 wife, the Vincents devoted countless hours preparing the band
27 members for the biggest show of talent and artistry of the year
28 after qualifying for marching competition upon receiving
29 All-Superior ratings during the MHSAA District Marching Festival
30 which qualified them for state championship competition in 2016
31 and 2017; and

32 WHEREAS, the Mississippi High School Activities Association
33 and the Mississippi Bandmasters Association began this series of
34 competitions 14 years ago, and this state title win by Mize, which
35 resulted in a first-place finish in music performance,
36 second-place finishes in visual performance and percussion and a
37 third-place finish in general effect, honors the band's rich
38 history in musical excellence, exemplified in the long hours, hard
39 work and attention to detail put into the show's precise
40 execution; and

41 WHEREAS, the band is comprised of: drum major, Lauren
42 Bartran; color guard members, Desirae Blackwell, Annaleigh
43 Ragsdale, Erin Carter, Gracie Sullivan, Montanah Middleton, Faith
44 McWilliams and Lauren Sistrunk; flutes, Chyanne Middleton, Mickie



45 Warren, Jacie Dickerson, Laney Bruce, Ava Hackler and Abby Doiron;
46 clarinets, MaKayla Luper, Caleb McCord and Raelynn Saranthus; bass
47 clarinet, Paula Keyes; alto saxophones, Brandon Hays and Jacob
48 Blackwell; tenor saxophone, Dawson Temple; baritone saxophone,
49 Christopher Bowen; trumpets, Garret Anglin, Bailey Kile, Byron
50 Pemberton, Summer Hughes, Landon Berryhill, Avery Kile, Brayden
51 Davidson, Joanna Dickerson and Tanner Barnett; French horns, Zach
52 Hand and Sarah Beavers; trombones, Mason Anglin, Darian McCord and
53 Drew Saranthus; euphoniums, Seth Runnels and Jordan Kendrick;
54 tubas, Daylen Hux and Brady Warren; percussion, Sam Holston,
55 Conner Smith, Jacob Dickerson, Drake Sellers, Gamble Sullivan and
56 Macyn Welborn; and front ensemble, Curtis Adcox, Abigail Bartran,
57 Emily Bartran, Jackson Ishee, Raelyn Lee and Lauren Runnels; and

58 WHEREAS, these students have persevered to achieve the
59 highest honor attainable within the two associations' honors and
60 awards, and have remained consistent in dedicating each of their
61 performances to the Lord; and

62 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
63 the special accomplishments and attitude of such an outstanding
64 group of student musicians as the Mize High School Marching Band,
65 who have brought honor to their school, their parents, their
66 community and to the State of Mississippi:

67 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
68 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
69 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Mize High



70 School Marching Band and Band Director Patrick Vincent upon
71 winning the 2017 Mississippi High School Activities Association
72 Class 2A State Marching Band Championship, and extend best wishes
73 for continued success in all of their future musical and academic
74 endeavors.

75 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
76 furnished to Mr. Patrick Vincent on behalf of the Mize High School
77 Marching Band and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

