

By: Representative Gibbs (36th)

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 59

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 WEST POINT HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM AND HEAD COACH CHRIS
3 CHAMBLESS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING 2017 SEASON AND FOR WINNING THEIR
4 SECOND STRAIGHT MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
5 (MHSAA) CLASS 5A STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

6 WHEREAS, the West Point High School Green Wave Football Team
7 completed an outstanding 2017 season with a resounding victory in
8 the MHSAA Class 5A State Football Championship game on December 2,
9 2017; and

10 WHEREAS, playing at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium on the campus of
11 the University of Mississippi, with full hearts and unimaginable
12 amounts of strength, West Point High School outplayed, overpowered
13 and ultimately outlasted Hattiesburg High School by a score of
14 41-15 to capture the championship trophy; and

15 WHEREAS, the victory over Hattiesburg was the Green Wave's
16 28th consecutive victory, their second consecutive MHSAA Class 5A
17 State Football Championship, an exclamation point to a perfect
18 15-0 season; and



19 WHEREAS, the Green Wave, who finished the season ranked
20 Number 1 in Mississippi and Number 39 in the nation, reigned down
21 on their opponents like a destructive storm of fire during their
22 championship drive, scorching the dreams of each of their foes
23 during their undefeated season on their way to the ultimate
24 victory in Oxford; and

25 WHEREAS, as many veterans of the game have said, "Defense
26 wins championships," this age-old saying defined the immaculate
27 strategy and skill of the Green Wave's defense, whose grit,
28 fortitude and determination erected a stone wall that helped
29 secure the final victory, while the dedication and athletic
30 prowess of the offensive players helped them become game changers
31 during the championship match, ensuring that the revered trophy
32 found its home in the West Point High School trophy case once
33 again; and

34 WHEREAS, the West Point High School Football Team's
35 statistics were most impressive, and there were countless
36 outstanding plays by individual players, but the key to this
37 team's consistent success throughout the season has been the
38 outstanding team spirit and year-round hard work; and

39 WHEREAS, the West Point High School Football Team is
40 comprised of the following exceptionally talented and
41 distinguished young men: Jason Brownlee, Marcus Murphy, Chris
42 Calvert, Tyler Rupert, Antrayvious Brownlee, E.J. Bush, Ledarius
43 Glover, Brandon Lairy, Nate Montgomery, Ryan Melton, Brentt



44 Cunningham, Shun Crawford, Jerni White, Gray Berry, John Facella,
45 Kentavious McMillian, Je'quan Young, Jake Chambless, Tyson
46 Davidson, Stededric Griffis, Quantaze Powell, Brandon Harris,
47 Archie Jones, Terence Cherry, Rasson Carr, Cortez Shaw, Jaylen
48 Cungious, Macorte Hoskins, Jimothy Mays, Travion Stennis, Tyrese
49 Johnson, Dantariyus Cannon, Xavier Fair, Jaylun Eggerson, Kameron
50 Martin, Tyron Orr, Jaquan Pool, Tysean Darden, Brian Crawford,
51 Rasheed Harris, Latarius Embry, Traevon Banks, Cameron Johnson,
52 Cassius Walker, Lapriest Starks, Jamel Banks, Jaylon Webb, Dewayne
53 Smith, Thomas Robinson, Leundra Thompson, Jamarquez Petty, T.J.
54 Anderson, Jylis Penson, Donte Smith, Jamaris Ewing, Deundra
55 Thompson, Ezekiel Head, Bryson Thomas, Timothy Mays, Miller Conn,
56 Draylon Rieves, Jacarius Harper, Kendall Coleman, Iverion
57 Cungious, Emmanuel Head, Zameek Price, Jameek Price, Dontavius
58 Pargo, Rakim Parker, Dontavius Myers, Tyler Brownlee, Jose Lemus,
59 Jeremiah Walker, Nehemiah Walker, Pistol Smith, Tyjai Matthews,
60 Kameron Dyson, Jonquez Roby, David Rush, Laderrick Mallard,
61 Daveion Rieves, Calvin Montgomery, Shunn Cooperwood, Darius Quinn,
62 Kurtis Bradford, Sema'j Harris, Tyren Warren and Chris Chandler;
63 and

64 WHEREAS, the Green Wave has been superbly coached and
65 inspired by Head Coach Chris Chambless, who has broadened the
66 players' knowledge of the game, refined their skills in execution
67 and helped the players reach their fullest potential on and off
68 the field; and



69 WHEREAS, Coach Chambless continues to build upon the legacy
70 of superior play and true sportsmanship forged by the tenacious
71 and fearless spirit of each team member, as evidenced in his
72 ability to produce high caliber players, excellent plays and a
73 tremendously successful season; and

74 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
75 and commend the superb accomplishments of Mississippi
76 student-athletes, especially those such as the West Point High
77 School Football Team, whose excellence on the field brings honor
78 to their school, the West Point community and the State of
79 Mississippi:

80 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
81 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
82 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the West Point
83 High School Football Team and Head Coach Chris Chambless for their
84 outstanding 2017 season and for winning their second straight
85 Mississippi High School Activities Association Class 5A State
86 Football Championship, and extend best wishes to the team for
87 continued success in all of their future athletic and academic
88 endeavors.

89 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
90 furnished to West Point High School, Head Coach Chris Chambless
91 and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

