

By: Senator(s) Branning, Barnett, Dearing,
Jackson (32nd)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 578

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 NESHOPA CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL "LADY ROCKETS" FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL
3 TEAM FOR WINNING THEIR FIFTH CONSECUTIVE 2017 MHSAA CLASS 5A STATE
4 CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Mississippi High School Activities Association
6 (MHSAA) Class 5A Fast-Pitch Softball Championships were held on
7 May 12, 2017, at Freedom Ridge Park in Ridgeland, Mississippi.
8 Neshoba Central "Lady Rockets" defeated Picayune 6-2 to win their
9 fifth consecutive Class 5A State Championship. Neshoba Central
10 finished its season with a 30-3 record; and

11 WHEREAS, after shutting out Picayune 3-0 in Game 1, the Lady
12 Rockets used more timely hitting en route to a 6-2 win, capturing
13 the school's fifth State Championship in five years. It was a
14 fitting end for Senior Kaylee Routh, who has played for the Lady
15 Rockets since eighth grade, when the winning started; and

16 WHEREAS, Neshoba Central Head Coach Trae Embry said he
17 couldn't be more happy for his seniors, knowing they got to
18 experience the ultimate prize. Although he is used to winning



19 titles with his team, Embry said he enjoyed coaching this year's
20 squad as much as any he has coached before; and

21 WHEREAS, the 2017 Lady Rockets Fast-Pitch Softball
22 Championship Team Roster is: Sindle Williams, P/LF; Madalyn
23 Thompson, C/LF; Hailey Williams, P/OF; Tori Henderson, P/1ST;
24 Hamaya Fielder, LF; Hallie Billie, OF; Aspen Wesley, P/LF; Tenly
25 Grisham, P/LF; Emily Berry, OF; Kylee Thompson, C/LF; Reese Page,
26 LF; Kenadie Quick, LF; Makenzie Barnett, LF; Jeyda Ben, OF; Rivers
27 Gray, OF; Destiny Dill, OF; Elleigh Willis, P/LF; Shante Beaulieu,
28 LF; Hannah Hall, OF; Mary Kate Hardy, OF; Alex Bowen, OF; Kaylee
29 Routh, OF; and Alexis Lathem, P/OF; Head Coach Trae Embry;
30 Assistant Coaches Zach Sanders and Taylor Petty; and Athletic
31 Director Tommy Holland; and

32 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
33 special group of student athletes who have brought honor to their
34 school, their community and to the State of 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 Neshoba Central High
38 School "Lady Rockets" Fast-Pitch Softball Team for winning their
39 fifth consecutive 2017 MHSAA Class 5A State Championship and
40 extend our best wishes to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors
41 for continued success.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
43 Coach Trae Embry, forwarded to Neshoba Central Principal John



44 Bowen and the Neshoba County Board of Education, and made
45 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

