MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Hopson, Clarke, Barnett, Blackwell, Browning, Dearing, Horhn, Jackson (11th), Jackson (32nd), Simmons (12th), Norwood To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 591

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SALUTING FORMER YAZOO CITY HIGH 2 SCHOOL AND MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY STANDOUT DEFENSIVE TACKLE 3 FLETCHER COX AS THE LATEST MISSISSIPPIAN TO WIN A SUPER BOWL RING. 4 WHEREAS, in his first Super Bowl appearance, Cox anchored the defensive line as the Eagles earned their first Super Bowl 5 Championship in franchise history. The Yazoo City native is the 6 7 21st former Bulldog to earn a Super Bowl Ring and the first since Dillon Day and the Denver Broncos hoisted the Lombardi Trophy in 8 9 2016. In total, Mississippi State alums have claimed 22 Super 10 Bowl Rings; and

11 WHEREAS, former Mississippi State University Defensive Tackle 12 Fletcher Cox became the latest Bulldog to win a Super Bowl Ring as 13 the Philadelphia Eagles defeated the New England Patriots, 41-33, 14 in the 52nd edition of the game on February 4, 2018, inside U.S. 15 Bank Stadium in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and

16 WHEREAS, Fletcher closed the Super Bowl with a tackle and a 17 quarterback pressure during the Patriots' final drive of the game. 18 Over his six seasons in the NFL, Cox racked up nearly 300 tackles

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19 and 34 sacks. He was selected to his third consecutive Pro Bowl 20 earlier this year; and

21 WHEREAS, Fletcher was a 2011 First-Team All-SEC selection at 22 Mississippi State University, recording 14.5 tackles for loss and 23 five sacks in his final season before being selected 12th overall 24 in the 2012 NFL Draft by the Eagles; and

WHEREAS, with the Super Bowl celebration progress, Fletcher 25 26 said the most satisfying sack of his career was a play he made as 27 a junior at Yazoo City High School. Super Bowl Star Fletcher Cox 28 has never forgotten Yazoo City. In 2007, Yazoo was losing by a 29 touchdown and he got a strip-sack, got the ball and ran it for a 30 touchdown. Cox's touchdown forced overtime against Pearl. Yazoo 31 City won the game, 20-14. "A big-time play," former Yazoo City 32 Head Football Coach Tony Woolfolk told The Clarion Ledger. "We 33 needed it"; and

34 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we join the fans of 35 professional football in recognizing a Football Star who has never 36 forgotten his home state and has brought honor to Yazoo City High 37 School, Mississippi State University and to the State of

38 Mississippi:

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF 40 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That 41 we do hereby salute former Yazoo City High School and Mississippi 42 State University Standout Defensive Tackle Fletcher Cox as the 43 latest Mississippian to win a Super Bowl Ring, and extend our best 44 wishes to Fletcher and his family for future success.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to 46 Fletcher Cox, forwarded to the President of Mississippi State 47 University and the Principal of Yazoo City High School, and made 48 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

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