REGULAR SESSION 2018

By: Senator(s) Harkins, Kirby, McMahan

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 614

- A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE BRANDON HIGH SCHOOL "LADY BULLDOGS" SOCCER TEAM AND COACH JEREMY SHORTT FOR DEFEATING THE NUMBER 1 TEAM TO WIN THE MHSAA CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.
- 5 WHEREAS, the Brandon High School "Lady Bulldogs" Soccer Team
- 6 defeated Number 1 Northwest Rankin 1-0 on February 17, 2018, to
- 7 win the Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA)
- 8 Girls Class 6A Soccer Championship; and
- 9 WHEREAS, just 17 minutes into the 6A Girls State Soccer
- 10 Championship, Brandon winger Jocelyn Jones soared past defenders
- 11 and into the open field. She fired the ball through the
- 12 goalkeeper's hands and into the net. Brandon went up and
- 13 Northwest Rankin never came back. The 1-0 victory was the
- 14 Bulldogs' first State Championship in six years and their second
- 15 in program history; and
- 16 WHEREAS, this Championship has been years in the making for
- 17 the Bulldogs. When Coach Jeremy Shortt first arrived in 2015, he
- 18 led the team to a 22-1 record. Their lone loss came to Madison

19 Central in the State Championship. This year, with this team, he

- 20 knew they had the talent and all of the intangibles. The Bulldogs
- 21 lost a core group of seniors from the 2016-2017 squad, but Shortt
- 22 said that losing that talent and experience made them work even
- 23 harder; and
- 24 WHEREAS, the Brandon High School Lady Bulldog Championship
- 25 Soccer Team Roster is: Lauren McLamore, Mallorie Ellis, Olivia
- 26 McCarthy, Zoe Ellis, Kennedy Jordan, Sadie Stocks, Taylor Glascoe,
- 27 Stella Vinson, Breanna Cooper, Callie Minshew, Collins Warren,
- 28 Abby Cannon, Halleigh Steed, Carlie Giles, Bella Volz, Brooklyn
- 29 Moudy, Caroline Hayman, Bailey Raphelt, Julia Leach, Hannah Pitts,
- 30 Savannah Robbins, Tori Harvey, Katie Hansen, Jordan Sullivan,
- 31 Jocelyn Jones, Emily Easterling, Mackenzie Parker, Amelia Fox,
- 32 Michaela Comans, Kara Beth Carter, Abbey Roberts, Erin Monsour,
- 33 Conerly Tigrett, Kovani Bolton, Connerly Tigrett, Hanah Bynum,
- 34 Caroline Griffith and Mallory Koegel; and Coach Jeremy Shortt; and
- 35 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this group
- 36 of student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their
- 37 community and to the State of Mississippi:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 39 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
- 40 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Brandon High School
- 41 "Lady Bulldogs" Soccer Team and Coach Jeremy Shortt for defeating
- 42 the Number 1 Team to win the MHSAA Class 6A State Championship,
- 43 and extend the best wishes of the Legislature to the players,
- 44 coaches, parents and sponsors for future success.

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
- 46 Coach Shortt for the team, forwarded to Brandon High School
- 47 Principal Charles Frazier and the Rankin County Board of
- 48 Education, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.