

By: Senator(s) Hopson, Jackson (32nd)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 616

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE ST.
2 ALOYSIUS "FLASHES" BOYS SOCCER TEAM AND COACH SCOTT MATHIS FOR
3 WINNING THEIR FIRST MAIS CLASS AAA BOYS SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP IN
4 SCHOOL HISTORY.

5 WHEREAS, when the first goal went into the net, the St.
6 Aloysius "Flashes" felt pretty good. The second one made them
7 breathe a little easier, and by the third one they were on top of
8 the world. Ryan Theriot scored twice and set up Jack Dowe for a
9 third goal as the "Flashes" routed Starkville Academy 3-0 on
10 February 24, 2018, in the Mississippi Association of Independent
11 Schools (MAIS) Class AAA Boys Soccer Championship Game; and

12 WHEREAS, the victory was the first Boys State Soccer Title in
13 St. Aloysius history, and the end of a long chase that spanned not
14 only this season but decades. The "Flashes" finished this season
15 with a 14-5 record that included a semifinal victory over
16 four-time defending State Champion Central Hinds. This was also
17 the first time the program had ever reached a State Championship
18 Game.



19 WHEREAS, while the Flashes' offensive stars were shining, the
20 less-heralded members of the defense were doing their job to
21 maintain the lead. In three playoff games, the "Flashes" only
22 allowed three goals; and

23 WHEREAS, the "Flashes" hoisted the Championship Trophy high
24 and celebrated with raucous students who had made the three-hour
25 trip for the game. They hugged each other and wore smiles filled
26 with awe at what they had just accomplished; and

27 WHEREAS, the 2018 St. Aloysius Championship Soccer Team
28 Roster is: Ethan Bagby, Chuck Beamish, Reed Bourne, Jake Brister,
29 Dillon Chambers, Carson Collier, Jack Dowe, Thomas Dowe, Will
30 Dowe, Randy Graves, Lee Hanks, Jose Anto Lemus-Angel, Daniel
31 Llopis, Benjamin Lobred, Conner Smith, Wyatt Teague, Kieran
32 Theriot, Ryan Theriot, and Liam Walters; Head Coach Scott Mathis;
33 and Assistant Coach Jacob Brister; and

34 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
35 special group of student athletes who have brought honor to their
36 school, their community and to the State of Mississippi:

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
38 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
39 we do hereby commend and congratulate the St. Aloysius "Flashes"
40 Boys Soccer Team and Coach Scott Mathis for winning their first
41 MAIS Class AAA Boys Soccer Championship in school history, and
42 extend our best wishes to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors
43 for future success.



44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
45 Coach Scott Mathis for the team, forwarded to St. Aloysius
46 Principal Dr. Virgil Strickland and the Board of Trustees, and
47 made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

