By: Senator(s) Caughman, Kirby, Jackson (32nd)

To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 601

- A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE RICHLAND HIGH SCHOOL "RANGERS" SOCCER TEAM AND HEAD COACH JOHN ADAMS FOR WINNING THE 2019 MHSAA CLASS 4A BOYS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, THE FIRST-EVER STATE TITLE IN ANY SPORT IN THE SCHOOL'S HISTORY.
- 5 WHEREAS, on February 9, 2019, the Richland High School
- 6 "Rangers" Boys Soccer Team defeated West Lauderdale 2-1 to win the
- 7 2019 Mississippi High School Activities (MHSAA) Class 4A State
- 8 Championship; and
- 9 WHEREAS, in just the fifth minute of play, West Lauderdale's
- 10 Cameron McClinton found the back of the net and gave West
- 11 Lauderdale an early 1-0 lead in the MHSAA Class 4A Boys Soccer
- 12 State Championship Game on Saturday, February 9th, at Ridgeland
- 13 High School, while opponent Richland tied the game in the 19th
- 14 minute, sending the game into the half tied 1-1; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Gregory Anderson scored Richland's first goal in the
- 16 19th minute off a penalty kick and his second with five minutes
- 17 remaining on a breakaway. Despite West Lauderdale pushing the
- 18 ball up the field several more times, Richland's defense did its

- 19 part, along with Goalkeeper Lane Mims, with 30 saves, keeping the
- 20 Knights from scoring, securing the 2-1 win; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Gregory Anderson's pair of goals captured the
- 22 first-ever State Title in any sport in the school's history.
- 23 Richland finished the season at 11-7-4. Gregory Anderson was
- 24 selected the Richland Soccer "Player of the Game"; and
- 25 WHEREAS, the 2019 Rangers Soccer Team Championship Roster is:
- 26 Logan Bynum, D; Matt Taylor; D.J. McElroy, All-District Award, MF,
- 27 D, STRK; Harvin Rivera, MF; Eduardo Arrellano; Billy Guevara,
- 28 Offensive Most Valuable Player Award, MF, FORW; Alan Gutierrez,
- 29 FORW, MF; Jose Gutierriz, FORW, D; Alex Mariano, All-District
- 30 Award, STRK, MF; Gregory Anderson, All-Around Most Valuable Player
- 31 Award, FORW, MF; Wilmer Martinez, FORW; Cameron Allison,
- 32 All-District Award, D; Benji Hernandez, All-District Award; Nathan
- 33 Smith, D; Gerardo Paredes, MF, FORW; Ajari Fairley, FORW; Jacob
- 34 Young, All-District Award, MF, STRK; Hagan Roberts, All-District
- 35 Award, MF, D; Gerardo (Chino) Hernandez, MF, FORW; Felix Pena;
- 36 Ruben Harris; Gabe Denham, GK; and Lane Mims, Most Valuable
- 37 Defensive Player Award, GK; Head Coach John Adams; Assistant Coach
- 38 Caleb Wolfe; and Athletic Director Trey Bailey; and it is with
- 39 great pride that we recognize this special group of student
- 40 athletes who have brought honor to their school, their community
- 41 and to the State of Mississippi:
- 42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 43 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That

- 44 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Richland "Rangers"
- 45 Soccer Team and Head Coach John Adams for winning the Mississippi
- 46 High School Activities Association Class 4A State Championship,
- 47 the first-ever State Title in any sport in the school's history,
- 48 and extend to the team members, coaches, parents and sponsors our
- 49 best wishes for future success.
- 50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
- 51 Coach John Adams for the team and Richland High School Principal
- 52 Dr. Scott Rimes, forwarded to the Rankin County School Board, and
- 53 made available to the Capitol Press Corps.