

By: Senator(s) Caughman

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 623

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 SIMPSON COUNTY ACADEMY "LADY COUGARS" GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM AND
3 COACH LINDA DEAR FOR WINNING THE 2019 MAIS AAAA DIVISION II STATE
4 CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, we join the students, parents, faculty and
6 administration of Simpson County Academy in Mendenhall,
7 Mississippi, in congratulating the "Lady Cougars" Girls Basketball
8 Team, Head Coach Linda Dear, and Assistant Coaches Chaucer
9 Funchess, Brandi Giordano and Chris Caughman for winning the 2019
10 MAIS AAAA Division II State Championship; and

11 WHEREAS, with a record of 31-8 the Lady Cougars won the
12 District and State Championships; and

13 WHEREAS, the following team members made tournament honors:
14 All-State Team: Morgan Griffith, Alissa Grace Brewer, T.K
15 Catchings and Alexis Sullivan; All-Star Team: Morgan Griffith;
16 and Overall State Team: Morgan Griffith and Alissa Grace Brewer;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, the Simpson County "Lady Cougars" Girls Basketball
19 Team 2019 State AAAA Division II Championship Roster is: Gracie



20 Bowen; Ma'Nia Womack; Alexis Sullivan; Mollie Jones; Ellie Hilton;
21 Adeline Bond; Anna Claire Walker; Sabra Hubbard; Maddie Moody; TK
22 Catchings; Morgan Griffith; Alissa Brewer; Gracie Giordano;
23 Kristin Busby and Lauren Teater; and Head Coach Linda Dear;
24 Assistant Coaches: Chaucer Funchess, Brandi Giordano and Chris
25 Caughman; Manager, Maura Pruitt; Scorekeeper, Gabi Prather; Stats,
26 Beverly Baldwin; Water Girl, Charlye Bowen; and Video, Avery
27 Crain; and

28 WHEREAS, the mission of Simpson County Academy is to be a
29 dynamic, independent educational institution dedicated to
30 Christian values, academic excellence and athletic achievement.
31 The Academy provides a secure learning environment,
32 state-of-the-art facilities, and a caring professional staff.
33 They instill in their students the values and skills necessary to
34 successfully meet the challenges of the 21st Century; and

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

38 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 Simpson County Academy
41 "Lady Cougars" Girls Basketball Team and Coach Linda Dear for
42 winning the 2019 MAIS AAAA Division II State Championship, and
43 extend our best wishes to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors
44 for future success.



45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
46 Coach Linda Dear for the team and Headmaster Billy W. Hankins,
47 forwarded to the Simpson County Academy Board of Trustees, and
48 made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

