

By: Senator(s) Younger, Clarke, Dearing,
Doty, Jackson (32nd)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 666

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN "OWLS" BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACH
3 HOWARD WHITE FOR WINNING THE USCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S NATIONAL
4 CHAMPIONSHIP AND FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING 2018-2019 SEASON.

5 WHEREAS, on March 9, 2019, the Mississippi University for
6 Women (MUW) "Owls" Women's Basketball Team (21-6) clawed their way
7 back to defeat the University of Maine-Fort Kent in the USCAA
8 National Championship Game; and

9 WHEREAS, Junior Forward Qiayon Bailey went 12-for-17 from the
10 floor and 4-for-7 at the free-throw line to lead the Owls with a
11 season-high of 28 points. The West Point, Mississippi, native
12 also pulled down two offensive boards and five defensive boards to
13 rack up seven rebounds. Because of her effort, she received
14 All-Tournament Team Honors and was named Championship Game Most
15 Valuable Player. Senior Forward Tenazhia Hinkson pulled off her
16 fifth double-double of the season with 15 points and 12 rebounds
17 while Autumn Taylor rounded out the double-digit scoring effort
18 with 13 points. As a result of their performance, both ladies



19 were named to the All-Tournament Team along with Qiayon Bailey;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, the Owls remained ahead of the Bengals to end the
22 half with a 23-20 lead. After returning from halftime, The W kept
23 Fort Kent scoreless for most of the third quarter while going on a
24 15-point run. In the final period, Fort Kent scrambled to
25 overcome its 13-point deficit, but they were no match for the
26 Owls' defense. The W scored 31 points in the quarter while
27 holding the Bengals to 21 to defeat Fort Kent and take the
28 National Title. From the field, the Owls shot 51.1%, including
29 22.2% in three-point range. They also performed at the line
30 shooting 61.3%; and

31 WHEREAS, the 2018-2019 Mississippi University for Women
32 "Owls" Basketball Championship Team Roster is: Autumn Taylor,
33 Katlyn Duke, Tori Weir, Tenazhia Hinkson, Starlandria Walton,
34 Terriona Hartford, MyNeka Frazier, Meosha Barnum, Alexandria
35 Brown, Qyaion Bailey and Keyahna Jones; Head Coach Howard White;
36 and Assistant Coach Rayshell Harris; and

37 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these
38 university athletes who have reflected great credit on their
39 university, their home communities and on the State of
40 Mississippi:

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
42 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
43 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Mississippi University



44 for Women "Owls" Basketball Team and Coach Howard White for
45 winning the USCAA Division I Women's National Championship and for
46 their outstanding 2018-2019 season, and extend to the players,
47 coaches, administration, parents and sponsors our best wishes for
48 future success.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
50 Head Coach and Athletic Director Jason Trufant, forwarded to the
51 Board of Trustees of Institutions of Higher Learning, and made
52 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

