

By: Representative Paden

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 74

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE COAHOMA COUNTY  
2 HIGH SCHOOL RED PANTHERS BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AND HEAD COACH  
3 DERRICK MOORE FOR WINNING THEIR SECOND CONSECUTIVE MHSAA CLASS 2A  
4 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Coahoma County High School Red Panthers Boys  
6 Basketball Team, the defending state champions, defeated Newton  
7 46-40 on March 5, 2021, to win the MHSAA Class 2A State  
8 Championship, having now won a remarkable four out of the last  
9 five titles; and

10 WHEREAS, after COVID-19 restrictions were lifted, crowd  
11 capacity at the Mississippi Coliseum was increased to 50%, and  
12 fans sprung into action to support their team, resulting in an  
13 atmosphere reminiscent of past championship weeks at the Big  
14 House; and

15 WHEREAS, "I'm just happy for those guys, especially the ones  
16 who have never been there," said Coahoma County Head Coach Derrick  
17 Moore of getting back to the championship game; and

18 WHEREAS, getting on the brink of a championship was different  
19 in 2020-2021, and the Red Panthers only played six regular season



20 games due to the COVID-19 pandemic and had several new players  
21 from Coahoma Early College High School; and

22 WHEREAS, the former Tigers transferred to Coahoma County  
23 after CECHS went to a true early college format, and Coach Moore  
24 improvised to meet the challenge as he stated, "We brought in the  
25 old team for a scrimmage every practice. That was the only way we  
26 could generate some kind of game"; and

27 WHEREAS, the 2021 Coahoma County High School Boys Basketball  
28 Class 2A Championship Team Roster is: Christopher Abby, Christian  
29 Banks, Chrishunn Banks, Harlem Bell, Cameron Bell, Jatavious  
30 Crawford, Jermel Daniels, Cameron Eagins, Gerasmus Eagins, Jeremy  
31 George, Keyun Johnson, Mishone Jones, Lamont Lee, Keshawn Maddox,  
32 Tyler Martin, Amarian Phillips, Demarjay Rucker, Hershel  
33 Washington, Anthony Williams, Martin Williams, Montavious Winfield  
34 and Alex Young; Head Coach Derrick Moore and Assistant Coach  
35 Charles Nolan; and

36 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the  
37 defending champions of the MSHAA Class 2A State Championship who  
38 have brought honor to their school, their community and to the  
39 State of Mississippi:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
41 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
42 commend and congratulate the Coahoma County High School Red  
43 Panthers Boys Basketball Team and Head Coach Derrick Moore for  
44 winning their second consecutive MHSAA Class 2A State



45 Championship, and extend to the team, coaches, parents and  
46 sponsors our best wishes for continued success.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
48 furnished to Head Coach Derrick Moore, Principal Cortney Jackson,  
49 the Coahoma County Board of Education and to the members of the  
50 Capitol Press Corps.

