REGULAR SESSION 2021

By: Senator(s) Blackwell, Parker, McLendon To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 59

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE OLIVE BRANCH
HIGH SCHOOL "LADY CONQUISTADORS" GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACH
JASON THOMPSON FOR WINNING THEIR THIRD CONSECUTIVE MHSAA STATE
CHAMPIONSHIP.

- 5 WHEREAS, the Olive Branch High School "Lady Quistors" Girls
- 6 Basketball Team won its third straight Girls MHSAA State
- 7 Championship on March 6, 2021, with a 66-62 win over Germantown at
- 8 the Mississippi Coliseum in Jackson; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the "Lady Quistors" won back-to-back 6A State
- 10 Titles, and their 2019 title was in Class 5A; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Junior Rhema Peques was named player of the game
- 12 after scoring 28 points and grabbing nine rebounds. Olive Branch
- 13 led by as many as nine in the first quarter, but only led by one
- 14 heading into the second before carrying a five-point lead into
- 15 halftime. Peques, who scored 11 in the first half, picked up
- 16 where she left off in the third quarter. She led a fast-paced
- 17 Olive Branch offense that extended its lead to 12. Olive Branch
- 18 dealt with foul trouble as Pegues and Junior Addison Howell both
- 19 picked up their fourth foul in the third quarter, which led to a

- 20 quick Germantown run to cut the lead to five. Olive Branch Coach
- 21 Jason Thompson brought them back late in the third quarter, and
- 22 the Lady Conquistadors ran their lead back out to double digits.
- 23 Germantown made a run late to cut it to one with less than one
- 24 minute remaining, but it wasn't enough as Olive Branch hoisted
- 25 their third consecutive Gold Ball under Thompson; and
- 26 WHEREAS, the 2021 Olive Branch High School "Lady Quistors"
- 27 roster is: DeAsia Jeffries, F, F; Alaiah Richmond, F; Brynea
- 28 Eason, W; Kylah Richmond, SF; Addison Howell, SG; Trinity Pleas,
- 29 W; Alyssa Brown; Abagail Cumber, W; Amya Black, G; Zoe Millbrooks,
- 30 PF; Ariel McKinney; Rhema Peques, G; and Dorothy Sinegar; and Head
- 31 Coach Jason Thompson; and
- 32 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these
- 33 student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their
- 34 community and to the State of Mississippi:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 36 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Olive
- 37 Branch High School "Lady Conquistadors" Girls Basketball Team and
- 38 Coach Jason Thompson for winning their third consecutive MHSAA
- 39 State Championship, and extend to the team, coaches, parents and
- 40 sponsors our best wishes for a fourth consecutive state
- 41 championship.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
- 43 Coach Jason Thompson and Olive Branch Principal Jason Stripling

- 44 for the team, forwarded to the DeSoto County Board of Education
- 45 and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.