

By: Representative Haney

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 41

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING MR. BRYAN CALDWELL
2 UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AS ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF
3 GULFPORT HIGH SCHOOL.

4 WHEREAS, after over 30 outstanding years with the Gulfport
5 School District, Mr. Bryan Caldwell is set to retire from his
6 position as athletic director at Gulfport High School in June
7 2022, a position he has held since 2012; and

8 WHEREAS, before becoming Gulfport High School's athletic
9 director, Mr. Caldwell served as the Gulfport Admirals basketball
10 coach from 1993 to 2006, winning a 6A State Basketball
11 Championship in 2002; and served as Bayou View Middle School
12 assistant principal and principal from 2007 until 2011; and

13 WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure as athletic
14 director, the Admirals have certainly earned a long list of honors
15 and accomplishments, including: hosting the Bernard Blackwell
16 All-Star Football game; leading Gulfport High School to 6A State
17 Championships in boys basketball in 2014, boys powerlifting in
18 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019, boys soccer in 2018 and 2019, and



19 girls soccer in 2020 and 2021; leading Gulfport to Division VIII
20 or Region IV championships in football, boys basketball, girls
21 basketball, boys soccer, girls soccer, baseball, boys golf, girls
22 golf, boys track, girls track, volleyball and tennis; and
23 overseeing the construction of a \$3.5 million football fieldhouse,
24 and \$3 million practice gym; and also, under his leadership,
25 numerous Gulfport athletes have signed scholarships to compete at
26 the Division I, Division II, Division III, and JUCO levels; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Caldwell is also a member of the Mississippi
28 High School Activities Association (MHSAA) Legislative Committee,
29 a Gulfport Sports Hall of Fame board member, and a past president
30 of the Gulfport Kiwanis Club; and

31 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
32 recognize and commend outstanding Mississippians, especially those
33 such as Mr. Caldwell, whose exceptional service to Gulfport's
34 student-athletes brings honor to the Gulfport School District, the
35 Gulfport community, and to the State of Mississippi:

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
37 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do recognize
38 and commend Mr. Bryan Caldwell upon the occasion of his retirement
39 as athletic director of Gulfport High School, and extend sincerest
40 wishes for continued success in his lighter days ahead.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
42 furnished to Mr. Bryan Caldwell and to the members of the Capitol
43 Press Corps.

