

By: Representative Darnell

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 45

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE HERNANDO HIGH  
2 SCHOOL LADY TIGERS FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL TEAM UPON WINNING THE 2021  
3 MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION (MHSAA) CLASS 6A  
4 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Hernando High School Lady Tigers Fast-pitch  
6 Softball Team capped off its remarkable 35-3 season with a 2-1,  
7 2-4 and 4-0 series win over the Lady Warriors of Oak Grove High  
8 School to take home the Mississippi High School Activities  
9 Association Class 6A State Championship; and

10 WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers' spot in the championship game was  
11 never in doubt in the semifinal series, with convincing sweeps of  
12 DeSoto Central 10-0 and 8-4 and Lewisburg 3-1 and 5-1 in the  
13 semifinals to advance to the state championship; and

14 WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers quickly knew they could not take Oak  
15 Grove for granted, and even though Oak Grove prevailed on day two  
16 of championship play in runs batted in and led after winning the  
17 opener, the Lady Tigers regained their composure on day three to  
18 capitalize on their initial day one win, to seal their fate as  
19 champions with four runs; and



20 WHEREAS, although there were several standout individual  
21 performances over the course of the season, the championship win  
22 was a culmination of hard work and team effort, with every player  
23 knowing their role and executing it perfectly; and

24 WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers Softball Team roster consists of:  
25 Seniors, Jaclyn Carter, Emme Muizers and Macey Everett; Juniors,  
26 Janna Shaw, Julia Shaw, Rylee Eyster, Avery Wolfe, Kelsey Baker  
27 and Ally Callahan; Sophomores, Avery Taylor and Katie White;  
28 Freshman, Carleigh Calarco, Kate Forrest Grehan, Kaitlyn O'Neal  
29 and Ally Agner; Eighth Graders, Olivia Higginbotham, Kaylin Lynch,  
30 Rachel Etheridge and Neely Grantham; Seventh Graders, Katelyn  
31 Kirkpatrick, Amberlee Holley, Callie Desmond and Kylee Garcia;  
32 Managers, Blake Simon, Zada Brewer and Graycin Higginbotham; and

33 WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers have been superbly coached and  
34 inspired by Head Coach Nicki Whitten, and Assistant Coaches Reagan  
35 Holdiness and Savannah McCann, who have broadened their knowledge  
36 of the game and refined their skills in execution; and

37 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
38 recognize and commend the superb accomplishments of Mississippi's  
39 student-athletes, especially those such as the Lady Tigers, whose  
40 excellence on and off the field brings honor to their school,  
41 their families and to the State of Mississippi:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
43 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
44 commend and congratulate the Hernando High School Lady Tigers



45 Fast-pitch Softball Team upon winning the Mississippi High School  
46 Activities Association Class 6A State Championship, and extend  
47 best wishes to the team and coaches for continued success in all  
48 of their future endeavors.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
50 furnished to the Hernando High School Lady Tigers Fast-pitch  
51 Softball Team, and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

