

By: Representative Foster

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 94

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE 2021-2022  
2 RAYMOND HIGH SCHOOL RANGERS BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM UPON WINNING THE  
3 MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION CLASS 4A STATE  
4 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Raymond High School Rangers Boys Basketball Team  
6 reign supreme yet again after finishing the 2021-2022 season with  
7 an impressive 29-5 record, and capturing the Mississippi High  
8 School Activities Association (MHSAA) Class 4A State Basketball  
9 Championship; and

10 WHEREAS, throughout their season, the Rangers played with  
11 clear eyes, full hearts and unimaginable amounts of strength, and  
12 for the first time in the school's history, they were ranked  
13 number one by *The Clarion-Ledger* during the preseason and also  
14 finished the season with the number one ranking by *The*  
15 *Clarion-Ledger*, a truly remarkable feat; and

16 WHEREAS, the Rangers were undefeated 12-0 in their district,  
17 and they were not only the regular season district champions, but  
18 also defeated Lanier High School 51-46 to be named the district  
19 tournament championship winners; and



20 WHEREAS, during the state championship game, their mental  
21 stamina and athletic prowess never wavered from the moment they  
22 first hustled onto the court until the final buzzer buzzed, as  
23 they outlasted, outplayed and ultimately overpowered Clarksdale  
24 High School in a 67-46 win; and

25 WHEREAS, to claim this illustrious victory, the Rangers  
26 relied on their swift feet, accurate shooting and strategic  
27 defensive moves to stop the opposing offense and outmaneuver their  
28 defense, which ultimately allowed them to bring the coveted trophy  
29 back to the Raymond High School trophy case, their fourth  
30 championship trophy in six years; and

31 WHEREAS, during the championship game, the Rangers kept their  
32 focus and played one of their best games of the season, as they  
33 were up 14-11 by the end of the first quarter but really pulled  
34 away in the third quarter when they led 46-26, and during the  
35 fourth quarter, the game was already controlled by the Rangers  
36 when Eric Paymon, Jr., knocked down two free throws; and

37 WHEREAS, Jabarie Robinson won MVP and put up 19 points during  
38 the game, Tremaine Dixon put up 17 points for the Rangers and  
39 Chris Fuqua added another 13 points to the Rangers' score; and

40 WHEREAS, the Raymond High School Rangers Boys Basketball Team  
41 is comprised of the following talented athletes: Tremaine Dixon,  
42 Chris Fuqua, Christian Noel, Jabarie Robinson, Matthew Gilliam,  
43 Zhakeius Jackson, Larry Lee, Dontavious Mack, Kenosha Walton,  
44 Adonis Dixon, Keymarius Lewis, Gekylenn Mosley, Eric Paymon,



45 Jayden Singleton, Chris Stephens, Demarion Terry and Kemonte  
46 Wright, as well as managers Kachren Lacy, Nathan Marshall,  
47 Damarcus Mixon and Arianna Stephens; and

48 WHEREAS, the Rangers have been superbly coached and inspired  
49 by Head Coach Tony Tadlock and Assistant Coaches Richard Caston  
50 and Jason Claxton, who have broadened the players' knowledge of  
51 the game and refined their skills in execution; and

52 WHEREAS, Coaches Tadlock, Caston and Claxton continue to  
53 build upon the legacy of superior play and true sportsmanship  
54 forged by the tenacious and undaunted spirit of each team member,  
55 as evidenced in their ability to produce high caliber players and  
56 plays and by the team's successful season; and

57 WHEREAS, the members of this team will carry the  
58 unforgettable memories they made along their way to championship  
59 status, whether it be the long hours in the weight room or the  
60 grueling practices, as well as the lessons of hard work,  
61 dedication and perseverance learned during this amazing season,  
62 throughout their lives as they are constantly flooded with the  
63 feeling of greatness that accompanies being a champion; and

64 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
65 recognize and commend excellence, especially that displayed by the  
66 Raymond High School Rangers Boys Basketball Team, and it is with  
67 great pride that we congratulate this elite group of  
68 student-athletes, Head Coach Tony Tadlock and Assistant Coaches  
69 Richard Caston and Jason Claxton, who have brought honor to



70 Raymond High School, the City of Raymond and to the great State of  
71 Mississippi:

72       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
73 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
74 commend and congratulate the 2021-2022 Raymond High School Rangers  
75 Boys Basketball Team upon winning the Mississippi High School  
76 Activities Association Class 4A State Basketball Championship, and  
77 extend best wishes to the team and coaches for continued success  
78 in all of their future endeavors.

79       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
80 furnished to Head Coach Tony Tadlock and to the members of the  
81 Capitol Press Corps.

