

By: Senator(s) Frazier, Blount, Norwood,
Barnett, Branning, Butler (38th), Simmons
(12th)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 575

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL "ARROWS" BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACH
3 LEONARD TAYLOR FOR WINNING BACK-TO-BACK MHSAA CLASS 6A STATE
4 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

5 WHEREAS, Clinton High School "Arrows" Boys Basketball Coach
6 Leonard Taylor was calm with Jaylon Davis at the free-throw line.
7 Less than 10 seconds remained in the fourth quarter of the
8 Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA) Class 6A
9 Championship Game and Clinton trailed Olive Branch by one; and

10 WHEREAS, Senior Jaylon Davis knocked both down and gave the
11 Arrows their first lead of the game. Clinton (23-5) held on to
12 win 76-75 over Olive Branch (28-5) on March 5, 2022, at the
13 Mississippi Coliseum and secured back-to-back MHSAA Class 6A State
14 Championships; and

15 WHEREAS, Clinton winning its third State Title in program
16 history looked improbable early, when the Olive Branch
17 Conquistadors jumped out to a 21-8 lead in the first quarter and
18 extended their lead to 17 points with 30 seconds remaining in the
19 third quarter. Clinton would need another comeback, after erasing



20 a double-digit second-half lead against Brandon in the Semifinals,
21 for the victory; and

22 WHEREAS, Kimani Hamilton helped lead the charge. The senior
23 had a game-high 24 points, nine rebounds and two blocks. Hughes
24 finished with 18 points, six rebounds and three assists. Hamilton
25 scored six of his points in the final three minutes. The
26 three-star forward had back-to-back drives into the lane to cut
27 the Olive Branch lead to one point. With 30.4 seconds remaining,
28 Hamilton's finish through contact gave Clinton new life, and Davis
29 finished it off at the free-throw line. Davis finished with 12
30 points and six rebounds, including a layup to extend a 19-10 start
31 to the fourth quarter for Clinton; and

32 WHEREAS, Clinton was ranked No. 2 in the *Clarion Ledger*
33 "Super 10" Final High School Boys Basketball Rankings; and

34 WHEREAS, "I'm so proud of them," Coach Taylor said. "They
35 know how to fight. We try to tell them there's no 13-point
36 basket. One play at a time. Get a basket after a basket and get
37 a defensive stop. We'll get right back where we need to be"; and

38 WHEREAS, the 2021-2022 Clinton High School "Arrows" Boys
39 Basketball Team Championship Roster is: Ashten Michael-Neal,
40 Allen Hughes, Kimani Hamilton, Brandon Taylor, Will Johnson, Tyler
41 Nichols, Jaylon Davis, Kari Hamilton, Artavis Davis, Micah Martin,
42 Mark Hunter, Daelin Harper, Kameron Wilkes and Christian
43 Washington; Head Coaches Robert Green and Thomas Tunberg;
44 Assistant Coaches Leonard Taylor, Michael Bagley and Jay Case; and



45 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this group
46 of student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their
47 community and to the State of Mississippi:

48 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
49 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
50 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Clinton High School
51 "Arrows" Boys Basketball Team and Coach Leonard Taylor for winning
52 back-to-back MHSAA Class 6A State Championships, and extend to the
53 team, coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes for future
54 success.

55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
56 Coach Leonard Taylor for the team and Clinton Principal Brett
57 Robinson, forwarded to the Clinton School Board, and made
58 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

