

By: Senator(s) Sparks, Barnett

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 596

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL "CARDINALS" BOYS GOLF TEAM AND COACH JASON
3 COKER FOR WINNING THEIR FIRST 2021 MHSAA 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN
4 15 YEARS.

5 WHEREAS, Senior Karsten Bryan and the Belmont High School
6 "Cardinals" Boys Golf Team have claimed the MHSAA Class 3A throne;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the Cardinals won their first State Championship in
9 15 years on May 7, 2021, and simultaneously snapped Booneville's
10 streak of five-straight State Titles. Belmont finished 41 strokes
11 ahead of second-place St. Andrew's, while Booneville finished
12 third at 43 strokes back; and

13 WHEREAS, Senior Karsten Bryan claimed Medalist Honors for the
14 third time in his career, shooting a 2-under 140 over in the
15 two-day tournament, including a 67 on Wednesday. The tournament
16 was held at Hillandale Golf Course in Corinth. "They were just
17 consistent. We played some good practice rounds up there, and
18 we're familiar with the course," Coach Jason Coker said; and



19 WHEREAS, it's the first title for Belmont since winning
20 back-to-back 2A Crowns in 2005-2006. It also capped a magnificent
21 career for Bryan, who was the Individual Medalist as an eighth
22 grader and as a freshman. Colin Williams and Alec Hogan also
23 finished in the Top 10 for the Cardinals. Coach Coker was happy
24 for all his players, but especially Karsten Bryan, who has meant
25 so much to the program for the past few years; and

26 WHEREAS, the 2021 Belmont High School "Cardinals" Boys Golf
27 Championship Team Roster: Karsten Bryan, Bruce McClung, Colin
28 Williams, Alec Hogan and Marlin Hutcheson; and Coach Jason Coker;
29 and

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

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
34 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
35 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Belmont High School
36 "Cardinals" Boys Golf Team and Coach Jason Coker for winning their
37 first 2021 Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA)
38 3A State Championship in 15 years, and extend to the members,
39 coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes for future success.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
41 Coach Jason Coker and Belmont High School Principal Jeff Boren,
42 forwarded to the Tishomingo County Board of Education, and made
43 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

