

By: Senator(s) Hill, Barnett, Thompson

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 602

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE "WILDCATS" BASKETBALL TEAM AND HEAD
3 COACH SCOTTY FLETCHER FOR WINNING THEIR FIRST MISSISSIPPI
4 ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP SINCE
5 1994.

6 WHEREAS, it's been a long time coming for Pearl River
7 Community College Women's Basketball Head Coach Scotty Fletcher
8 and his Wildcats, but on February 10, 2022, they claimed the
9 regular season Mississippi Association of Community Colleges
10 Conference (MACCC) Championship for the first time since 1994.
11 The Wildcats defeated the visiting Northeast Tigers 83-42 to earn
12 the honor; and

13 WHEREAS, "I didn't tell the girls until our shootaround that
14 we had a chance to make history tonight because I didn't want them
15 to feel pressured. From where we were seven years ago to be able
16 to be Conference Champions speaks volumes about the girls and
17 assistant coaches. I've been extremely blessed with great
18 players. We get the chance to hang a banner, get a Gold Ball and



19 put a ring on our finger. That's incredible and to celebrate it
20 with these awesome girls means a lot," Coach Fletcher said; and

21 WHEREAS, Pearl River (19-3 overall; 12-1 MACCC) was off and
22 running to start the Championship Game, immediately hitting from
23 downtown. Pearl River carried a 25-8 lead into the second
24 quarter. The Wildcats opened the second by taking a 28-10 lead
25 when Otashae Burrage pump-faked to draw a defender's reaction
26 before stepping to the side and drilling a three-pointer. Pearl
27 River didn't let up, eventually going ahead 46-23 just before
28 halftime. The Wildcats came out of the break exactly the same way
29 that they started the game as Otashae Burrage hit a three-pointer
30 to extend the lead to 52-24. Pearl River Community College
31 continued to pick up points at a rapid pace, ending the quarter on
32 top 69-30. The final quarter of the night played out just like
33 the others, with Pearl River dominating until the final buzzer.
34 Pearl River ended the night with a convincing 82-42 victory.
35 Otashae Burrage and Halle Traylor tied for the team lead in points
36 with 12. When the starters were out and the bench players were
37 in, there was no drop-off; and

38 WHEREAS, the members of the 2022 Pearl River Community
39 College "Wildcats" Women's Basketball Championship Team Roster:
40 Anessa Dussette, TyRaven McGowan, Tristen Washington, Otashae
41 Burrage, Ty'Mesha Reed, Brandy Scott, Raven Smith, Keshunti
42 Nichols, Halle Traylor, Alesha Temple, Amajiah Smith, Marcavia



43 Shavers, Jaliscia Florence, Bryanna Taylor and Gabby Collier; and
44 Head Coach Scotty Fletcher; and

45 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this group
46 of college 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 Pearl River Community
51 College "Wildcats" Women's Basketball Team and Head Coach Scotty
52 Fletcher for winning their first Mississippi Association of
53 Community Colleges Conference Championship since 1994, and extend
54 our best wishes to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors for
55 continued success.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
57 Coach Scotty Fletcher and Pearl River Community College President
58 Dr. Adam Breerwood, forwarded to the Pearl River Community College
59 Board of Trustees, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

