

By: Senator(s) Hill

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.

