

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Barnett, Branning,
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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE JACKSON PREP
2 "PATRIOTS" BASEBALL TEAM AND COACH BRENT HEAVENER FOR WINNING THE
3 MAIS 5A STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE
4 SEASON AND 20TH TIME IN PROGRAM HISTORY.

5 WHEREAS, for the fourth consecutive season and 20th time in
6 program history, the Jackson Prep "Patriots" have won the MAIS 5A
7 Baseball Championship; and

8 WHEREAS, the Patriots (35-3, 14-1) ensured their victory with
9 a 5-1 win over Madison-Ridgeland Academy (27-11, 5-2) on May 12,
10 2021. Jackson Prep swept the best-of-three championship series in
11 two games at its home field; and

12 WHEREAS, "It feels great," Jackson Prep Baseball Coach Brent
13 Heavener said. "After last year with COVID and everything we
14 dealt with and the seniors went through. Four in a row, I
15 couldn't be more proud of them. These guys don't know how to
16 lose." Jackson Prep had a 2-1 lead before Mississippi State
17 signee Jeffrey Ince belted a three-run home run in the bottom of
18 the fourth inning. Ince is one of two 2021 Clarion Ledger
19 Baseball Dandy Dozens on the Prep roster next to Riley Maddox, who



20 pitched a complete game one-hitter in the first game of the
21 Championship Series; and

22 WHEREAS, the Patriots had eyes on their program all season,
23 ranked as the No. 11 team in the nation by Perfect Game and No. 6
24 by the National High School Baseball Coaches Association; and

25 WHEREAS, the 2021 Patriots Championship Roster is: Rives
26 Reynolds, Trey Bridges, Jeffrey Ince, Cy Craig, Thaxton Berch,
27 Konnor Griffin, Clayton Grubbs, Eli Berch, Matthew Cochran, Will
28 Gibbs, Ford McDaniel, Sam Watts, Owen Abney, Jack Gatlin, William
29 Seymour, Jagger Mooneyham, Mason Nichols, Duncan Mathews, JK
30 Nowell, Riley Maddox, Graham Busbea, Clark Kellum, Owen Ishee and
31 Josh Stanford; Head Coach, Brent Heavener; Assistant Coaches,
32 Marcus Canoy, JG Miley, Jay Powell and Zander Romano; and

33 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these
34 student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their
35 community and to the State of Mississippi:

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
37 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the
38 Jackson Prep "Patriots" Baseball Team and Coach Brent Heavener for
39 winning the MAIS 5A State Baseball Championship for the fourth
40 consecutive season and 20th time in program history, and extend to
41 the team, coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes for
42 continued success.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
44 Coach Brent Heavener for the team, forwarded to Jackson Prep Head



45 of School, Lawrence Coco, III, and the board of trustees and made
46 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

