

By: Senator(s) Caughman, Barnett, Butler
(38th), Kirby

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE FLORENCE HIGH
2 SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER TEAM AND COACH BILL HOOD FOR WINNING THEIR
3 FIRST MHSAA CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

4 WHEREAS, on February 5, 2022, the Florence High School Girls
5 Soccer Team made history. Behind a strong second-half offensive
6 attack, the Lady Eagles held off Lafayette 3-2 to claim the
7 Mississippi High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Class 5A
8 State Championship at Brandon's Bulldog Stadium; and

9 WHEREAS, the title was Florence's first State Title in 5A and
10 second-straight soccer State Championship after winning Class 4A a
11 year ago. It was the school's sixth State Soccer Title overall;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, "I told the girls to settle down and play our game,"
14 Florence Coach Bill Hood said. "Second half, we played like we
15 should've (from the start) and we were able to hold them off at
16 the end. It was a typically nervous State Championship Game
17 between two really good teams, and we're fortunate we came out on
18 top"; and



19 WHEREAS, "Lafayette pushed us to the very end. They pressed
20 us and we had to deal with it, and they were tough," Coach Hood
21 said. "Shae has been a starter since the seventh grade and has
22 progressed each year and it's been fantastic to watch her get
23 better and grow." Florence extended their lead to 3-1 as Addie
24 Grace Barnard scored off a corner kick with just over 27 minutes
25 left in the second half; and

26 WHEREAS, the 2022 Florence Girls Soccer Championship Team
27 Roster is: Skyla Yount, Addison Grantham, Meagan Spencer, Addie
28 Grace Barnard, Madelyn Edwards, Kailee Lilley, Ashlyn Starnes,
29 Christina Guzman, Kylee Cloer, Ella Grace Sanford, Emma Marchant,
30 Cameron Cloer, Rylee Raymond, Sydney O'Hair, Leslie Carroll,
31 Kendal Patterson, Caroline Sanford, Mary Elise Taylor, Rachel
32 Parr, Kamryn Frazier, Shaelynn Quick and Breeanna Goza; Head Coach
33 Bill Hood; and Assistant Coach Joshua Cavanaugh; and

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

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
38 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the
39 Florence High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Bill Hood for
40 winning their first MHSAA Class 5A State Championship Title, and
41 extend to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes
42 for future success.



43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
44 Coach Bill Hood, forwarded to Florence High School Principal Dr.
45 Roderick D. Sheppard and the Rankin County School Board, and be
46 made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

