

By: Representatives Owen, Hobgood-Wilkes,
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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 POPLARVILLE HIGH SCHOOL HORNETS CHEERLEADING TEAM FOR WINNING
3 THEIR FIRST EVER UCA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CHEERING CHAMPIONSHIP IN
4 THE SMALL VARSITY NON-TUMBLING GAME DAY DIVISION II.

5 WHEREAS, proving hard work and diligence are the keys to
6 success, the Poplarville High School Hornets Cheerleading Team
7 competed against several other squads in the UCA National High
8 School Cheering Championship, and after a flawless and electric
9 performance, they won their first ever UCA National High School
10 Cheering Championship in the Small Varsity Non-Tumbling Game Day
11 Division II; and

12 WHEREAS, under the insightful leadership of first-year Head
13 Coach Brittany Smith Rogers, the Hornets did an exceptional job of
14 rehearsing their cheers and routines, unifying all of their
15 strengths to make a good squad and ultimately executing an
16 outstanding job working toward the accomplishment of this highly
17 pursued goal; and

18 WHEREAS, throughout this special season, the Poplarville High
19 School Cheerleaders worked extremely hard to succeed, and the



20 members have improved exponentially in all aspects of their
21 cheerleading abilities, and due to their outstanding God-given
22 talent, strong desire to win and tremendous work ethic, their
23 dreams of wearing the gold medals and lifting the championship
24 banner up high became a reality; and

25 WHEREAS, as they pursued their championship dreams, the
26 Hornets had a chip on their shoulder and felt they had to prove
27 something to erase last season, and after competing in regionals,
28 they got a taste of winning and set their sights on nationals but
29 stayed humble and remained driven to get better; and

30 WHEREAS, for the Hornets, every day of the national
31 competition at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at The Walt
32 Disney World was competing for the perfect routine, as there were
33 three groups of preliminaries for the Small Varsity Non-Tumbling
34 Game Day competition, and Poplarville competed against 16 others
35 in their group and the first-place preliminary winners received
36 automatic bids to finals; and

37 WHEREAS, on day one of the preliminaries, Poplarville scored
38 second place, and on day two, they placed first in their group
39 with a three-point separation, and that is when everything sunk
40 in, including the realization that the Hornets could win it all;
41 and

42 WHEREAS, upon that realization, the cheer team's dedication
43 and drive came into play because after performing well and making
44 it to finals, Coach Rogers offered the team an opportunity to take



45 a break and explore Disney World's parks, but the team said no and
46 instead chose to practice, and no matter if it was inside or
47 outside the hotel room, the team practiced night and day and never
48 went to one park while in Orlando; and

49 WHEREAS, the members of the Poplarville High School
50 Cheerleading Team, who constantly impress with their sincere
51 displays of professionalism and self-discipline, include: Sammi
52 Vaughn, Morgan Hall, Madison Lee, Maddie Cooley, Meah Davis,
53 Addison Norris, Hayleigh Conerly, Abi Branton, Emma Brown, Kaylie
54 Smith, Kyleigh Cookmeyer, Nevaeh High, Brinkly High and Natalie
55 Wilkinson; and

56 WHEREAS, the Hornets Cheerleaders have practiced and worked
57 together for many hours in the pursuit of greatness and have shown
58 a high degree of sportsmanship while representing the State of
59 Mississippi at all levels of competition, and through their
60 superior accomplishments, these Magnolia State student-athletes
61 have brought honor to themselves, their families and to
62 Poplarville High School; and

63 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
64 and commend outstanding student-athletes such as the Poplarville
65 High School Hornets Cheerleading Team, whose superb attitudes and
66 unparalleled determination to reach their championship goal
67 brought honor and glory to Poplarville High School and to the
68 State of Mississippi:



69 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
70 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
71 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the
72 Poplarville High School Hornets Cheerleading Team for winning
73 their first ever UCA National High School Cheering Championship in
74 the Small Varsity Non-Tumbling Game Day Division II, and extend
75 best wishes for continued success in all their future endeavors.

76 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
77 furnished to Head Coach Brittany Smith Rogers and to the members
78 of the Capitol Press Corps.

