MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Owen

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING CHAPEL HART UPON
 THEIR SUCCESS ON AMERICA'S GOT TALENT AND THROUGHOUT THEIR CAREER,
 AND EXTENDING BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS IN ALL THEIR
 FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

WHEREAS, Chapel Hart, an American country music vocal group 5 from Poplarville, Mississippi, is an unstoppable family trio 6 7 comprised of sisters, Danica and Devynn Hart, and their cousin, Trea Swindle, inspired by some of the greatest female country 8 9 vocalists to ever perform, including Dolly Parton, Patsy Cline and 10 Loretta Lynn, and since receiving the Golden Buzzer during the 11 17th season of America's Got Talent, they have been taking the 12 country music world by storm with their unforgettable harmonies 13 and one-of-a-kind songs; and 14 WHEREAS, the group is immensely talented and has

15 independently released two studio albums and seven singles, but 16 before they became Chapel Hart, sisters Danica and Devynn Hart and 17 their cousin Trea Swindle began gracing pedestrians with their 18 beautiful voices in 2014 when the three started performing cover 19 songs on the streets of New Orleans, Louisiana, and eventually 20 writing their own original numbers; and

21 WHEREAS, Danica and Trea began recording in 2016 under the 22 name Hyperphlyy, and released the EP *Made for Me* and then released 23 the album *Out the Mud* in 2019, which featured Devynn, and was 24 credited as Hyperphlyy; and

25 WHEREAS, after releasing their albums, the trio were promoted 26 from busking and began to perform at music festivals around 27 Louisiana, and in Innsbruck, Austria, and they renamed themselves 28 Chapel Hart after the small community they grew up in called 29 Hart's Chapel, which was named after the Hart family; and

30 WHEREAS, in 2020, Chapel Hart, whose music and original songs 31 are truly unparalleled, was discovered by their current record 32 producer and manager, Jeff Glixman, and in that same year, they 33 recorded a standalone single titled "Jesus & Alcohol", which 34 featured ZZ Top member Billy Gibbons on guitar, and sang 35 background vocals on LeRoux's album One of Those Days; and

36 WHEREAS, in 2020, the group also shot a music video for 37 "Jesus & Alcohol", in which Gibbons played the role of a pastor 38 and T. Graham Brown and Deborah Allen also made cameos in the 39 video, which aired on CMT after its release; and

40 WHEREAS, 2021 was even more successful for the unbelievably 41 gifted group, as CMT selected Chapel Hart as one of several 42 artists for their 2021 "Next Women of Country" campaign, which

43 promotes new and upcoming female country music artists, and the 44 group also recorded its second single, "*I Will Follow*"; and

45 WHEREAS, "*I Will Follow*" was written by Jennifer Hanson with 46 Savannah Keyes and Nick Brophy, the latter of whom co-produced it 47 with Jeff Glixman, and Chapel Hart created a music video for the 48 song, in which Jackyl frontman, Jesse James Dupree, made a cameo 49 appearance, and much to their fans delight, the video officially 50 began airing on CMT on February 5, 2021; and

51 WHEREAS, Chapel Hart's second single received high praise 52 from everyone in the country music world, including Kevin John 53 Coyne of Country Universe, who rated the song "A" while praising 54 the group members' singing voices and favorably comparing the 55 arrangement to the works of SHeDAISY and The Chicks; and

56 WHEREAS, in March 2021, Chapel Hart, who has been hugely 57 inspired by their favorite singer, Dolly Parton, released their 58 third single and video, "*You Can Have Him Jolene*", a strong and 59 creative answer song to Dolly Parton's "*Jolene*"; and

WHEREAS, Chapel Hart announced their second studio album, titled *The Girls Are Back in Town* in July 2021, and another single and video, "*Made for Me*", followed in 2022, and they had planned to tour with the Indigo Girls in mid-2022, but unfortunately had to cancel this tour when that duo's member, Emily Saliers, was diagnosed with COVID-19; and

66 WHEREAS, during this time, agents for the NBC's America's Got 67 Talent contacted members of the group to come on the show and

H. R. No. 2 ~ OFFICIAL ~ 23/HR26/R1093 PAGE 3 (ENK\KW) 68 showcase their talent for the whole world to see, and while they 69 initially rejected the offer, they ultimately agreed to appear on 70 the show after being contacted by the same agent a number of 71 times; and

72 WHEREAS, during their audition episode on the show's 17th 73 season, which aired July 19, Chapel Hart brilliantly performed one 74 of their original numbers, "You Can Have Him Jolene", which 75 brought the crowd to their feet as they danced and clapped along 76 with the beat of the song, and after they wowed the audience with 77 a show-stopping performance, the judges rewarded them with a 78 standing ovation and nothing but high praise, and for the second 79 time in the show's history, a group Golden Buzzer was bestowed 80 upon them by the four judges and host, a truly momentous honor; 81 and

WHEREAS, the Golden Buzzer allowed Chapel Hart to advance to the next round of competition, eventually earning a spot in the finals after performing their original song "*The Girls Are Back in Town*", and once they reached the finals, they performed a cover of Bonnie Raitt's "*Something to Talk About*" with Darius Rucker, and finished the competition in fifth place; and

88 WHEREAS, on their journey to world domination, Chapel Hart 89 received an invitation to make their debut on the Grand Ole Opry 90 on September 17, 2022, where they sang their own "You Can Have Him 91 Jolene", and they are also featured on Darius Rucker's late-2022 92 single "Ol' Church Hymn"; and

H. R. No. 2 ~ OFFICIAL ~ 23/HR26/R1093 PAGE 4 (ENK\KW) 93 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to 94 recognize and commend excellence when demonstrated through the 95 remarkable talent of Mississippi's native sons and daughters, 96 especially those such as Danica and Devynn Hart and Trea Swindle 97 of Chapel Hart, whose masterful, passionate voices and joyful 98 demeanors have brought renowned national acclaim upon themselves 99 as well as the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
commend and congratulate Chapel Hart upon their success on *America's Got Talent* and throughout their career, and extend best
wishes for continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to Danica and Devynn Hart and Trea Swindle of Chapel Hart and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.