

By: Representative Calvert

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 104

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE LAMAR ACADEMY
2 "RAIDERS" GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM AND HEAD COACH COURTNEY
3 SCHIMELPFENING UPON WINNING THEIR FIRST MIDSOUTH ASSOCIATION OF
4 INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS (MAIS) 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, we join the students, coaches, parents and faculty
6 at Lamar Academy in Meridian, Mississippi, in celebrating the
7 "Raiders" girls volleyball team's first Midsouth Association of
8 Independent Schools (MAIS) 5A State Championship in program
9 history; and

10 WHEREAS, on October 19, 2022, the Lamar Academy "Raiders"
11 swept Simpson Academy in three sets to win the MAIS Division II 5A
12 State Championship at Mississippi College; and

13 WHEREAS, Lamar earned first-round bye in the start of the
14 playoffs and then swept Madison St. Joe 3-0 to advance to the
15 State Championship for the second year in a row; and

16 WHEREAS, after last year's loss in the State Championship,
17 the "Raiders" theme for the 2022 season was all about redemption
18 and getting back to the State Championship once again, rising
19 above all of their 5A challengers to reign victorious in every



20 single set played during the 2022 season, sweeping the "Cougars"
21 twice regular and post season play, and winning all three sets in
22 the championship series; and

23 WHEREAS, Seniors Harleigh Gray, Carley Rolison, Kaylee Brown
24 and Ava Temple were the four seniors who helped carry this young
25 "Raiders" team back to the State Championship, "working
26 tirelessly, endlessly, constantly and consistently"; and

27 WHEREAS, the "Raiders" have been superbly coached and
28 inspired by Head Coach Courtney Schimelpfening and Assistant Coach
29 Alex Schimelpfening, who have broadened their knowledge of the
30 game, while refining their skills in execution, continuing the
31 tradition of building upon the legacy of superior play and true
32 sportsmanship forged by the tenacious and undaunted spirit of each
33 team member, as evidenced in their ability to produce high caliber
34 players and plays, as evidenced by the team's successful
35 championship season; and

36 WHEREAS, the 2022 "Raiders" Championship roster is Ashby
37 Woods, Emma Hale, Ella Temple, Kaylee Brown, Rylee Schimelpfening,
38 Carley Rolison, Caroline Fruge, Ava Temple, Harleigh Gray, Emily
39 Price, Mallory Smith, Sellers Breaux and Bailey Brook Mayatt; and

40 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
41 recognize and honor the achievements of student-athletes such as
42 the Lamar Academy "Raiders" Girls Volleyball Team, who have
43 brought honor to their school, their community and to the State of
44 Mississippi:



45 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
46 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
47 commend and congratulate the Lamar Academy "Raiders" Girls
48 Volleyball Team and Head Coach Courtney Schimelpfening for winning
49 their first Midsouth Association of Independent Schools (MAIS) 5A
50 State Championship, and extend to the team, coaches, parents, and
51 sponsors our best wishes for future success.

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
53 furnished to Coach Courtney Schimelpfening, the Lamar Academy
54 Headmaster Leigh Ann Ballou and the Board of Trustees, and to the
55 members of the Capitol Press Corps.

