MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Harkins, Michel

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE JACKSON PREP 2 "PATRIOTS" BASEBALL TEAM AND COACH BRENT HEAVENER FOR WINNING THE 3 MAIS 6A STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE FIFTH CONSECUTIVE 4 SEASON AND 21ST TIME IN PROGRAM HISTORY.

5 WHEREAS, for the fifth consecutive season and 21st time in program history, the Jackson Prep "Patriots" have won the MAIS 6A 6 7 Baseball Championship; and WHEREAS, the Patriots (31-7, 12-3) ensured their victory with 8 9 a 12-2 win over Madison-Ridgeland Academy (36-6, 12-3) on May 19, 10 2022. Jackson Prep won the best-of-three championship series in three games at its home field; and 11 12 WHEREAS, Jackson Prep won the first game at home, 14-3. MRA then won the second at their field 12-11. Jackson Prep then took 13 14 the series and the championship with a 12-2 home victory. "So proud of these guys for how hard they battled, played and they put 15

their stamp on Prep baseball and shows why this team is one of the

17 best teams in the state," Jackson Prep Baseball Coach Brent

Heavener said. "Winning a state championship is a feeling that 18

19 never gets old"; and

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20 WHEREAS, four members of the 2022 Jackson Prep senior class 21 signed college baseball agreements followed by five members of the 22 2023 class. Riley Maddox and Mason Nichols, of the four in the 23 2021 college-signing class, along with Jackson Prep alum Knox 24 Loposer, helped the 2022 Ole Miss Rebels bring the second of two 25 straight National Championships to the State of Mississippi; and WHEREAS, the Patriots had eyes on their program all season, 26 27 with a final ranking as the No. 21 team in the nation by Perfect 28 Game and No. 21 by the National High School Baseball Coaches 29 Association; and

30 WHEREAS, the 2022 Patriots Championship Roster is: Duncan Mathews, Thomas Cross, Trey Bridges, Rives Reynolds, Cy Craig, 31 Christopher Maddux, Owen Abney, Clayton Grubbs, Eli Berch, Matthew 32 Cochran, John Woods Hollowell, Ford McDaniel, Josh White, Andy 33 34 Brown, Charlie Barbour, William Seymour, Jagger Mooneyham, Luke Smith, Jack Dryden, Konnor Griffin, Will Gibbs, Graham Busbea, 35 36 Peyton Puckett, Owen Ishee, Gavin Mullins, Allen Rebich and Nolan Canoy; Head of Baseball Operations, Peter Downing; Head Coach, 37 38 Brent Heavener; and Assistant Coaches: Marcus Canoy, Jay Powell 39 and Zander Romano; and

40 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their 41 community and the State of Mississippi: 42

43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF 44 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the

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Jackson Prep "Patriots" Baseball Team and Coach Brent Heavener for winning the MAIS 6A State Baseball Championship for the fifth consecutive season and 21st time in program history, and extend to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes for continued success.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to 51 Coach Brent Heavener for the team, forwarded to Jackson Prep Head 52 of School, Lawrence Coco, III, and the Board of Trustees and made 53 available to the Capitol Press Corps.