

By: Senator(s) McCaughn, Butler (38th)

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 84

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE LAKE HIGH
2 SCHOOL "LADY HORNETS" GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM AND HEAD COACH HOLLY
3 MONCRIEF FOR WINNING BACK-TO-BACK MHSAA CLASS 2A STATE
4 CHAMPIONSHIPS WHICH IS THE FOURTH STATE TITLE IN SCHOOL HISTORY.

5 WHEREAS, behind the stellar play of Laneisha Palm along with
6 second half defense Lake High School "Lady Hornets" Girls
7 Basketball Team ran past Heidelberg 67-48 to claim the MHSAA Girls
8 Class 2A State Championship for the second consecutive year at the
9 Mississippi Coliseum on March 3, 2023; and

10 WHEREAS, it's the "Lady Hornets" (24-9) fourth State Title in
11 school history; and

12 WHEREAS, "Something we talked about at the beginning is to
13 set the tempo and take control of the game for the whole game,"
14 said first-year Lake Coach Holly Moncrief. "That's exactly what
15 they did. I can't say enough about the girls, I'm so proud of
16 them"; and

17 WHEREAS, the "Lady Hornets" never trailed, jumped out to an
18 8-3 lead, and Taylor Clark banked in a three-pointer at the buzzer
19 to give Lake a 13-4 lead at the end of the first quarter.



20 Heidelberg began the second quarter on an 8-4 run to cut the "Lady
21 Hornets" lead down to 17-13; however, the "Lady Hornets" ended the
22 first half on a 10-4 run to take a 29-19 advantage at halftime;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, in the second half, Palm took over for Lake. The
25 multisport athlete scored 10 of the "Lady Hornets" 17 points in
26 the third quarter, and Lake held a 46-31 lead heading into the
27 fourth quarter. Palm was named the game's Most Valuable Player.
28 She finished 14-of-20 from the floor, tying the number of baskets
29 the entire Heidelberg Team made that afternoon; and

30 WHEREAS, the Lake High School "Lady Hornets" Girls Basketball
31 Championship Team 2022-2023 Roster: T'Lea Hunt, Nakijah Gammage,
32 Kayjah Lay, Alicia Oliphant, Laneisha Palm, Kelis Odom,
33 An'twonette Pinkston, Taylor Clark, Brooklyn Harris, Ja'santoe
34 Pinkston, Anyia Hunt, Lyric Lay, Kaliauna Jones, Alexis Robinson
35 and Kerionia Harris; Head Coach Holly Moncrief; Assistant Coach
36 Teka Lofton; Managers: Kenya Banks, Aeranna Coleman and Amaurei
37 Jones; and Bookkeeper Finesse Harris; and

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

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
42 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Lake
43 High School "Lady Hornets" Girls Basketball Team and Head Coach
44 Holly Moncrief for winning back-to-back MHSAA Class 2A State



45 Championships which is the fourth State Title in school history,
46 and extend to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors our best
47 wishes for future success.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
49 Head Coach Holly Moncrief and Lake Principal Jon Moncrief for the
50 team, forwarded to the Scott County Board of Education and made
51 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

