By: Representatives Scoggin, Blackwell, Scott

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95

⊥	A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE SOUTH JONES HIGH
2	SCHOOL "BAND OF BRAVES" MARCHING BAND FOR ITS MANY OUTSTANDING
3	ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE FALL 2023 COMPETITION SEASON.
4	WHEREAS, the South Jones High School "Band of Braves"
5	Marching Band has built a reputation as one of the most successful
6	performing arts groups in the State of Mississippi, a truly
7	incredible accomplishment; and
Ω	WHEREAS during the 2023 competition season the South Jones

- 8 WHEREAS, during the 2023 competition season, the South Jones
- 9 High School "Band of Braves" Marching Band continued the
- 10 prioritization of a high caliber music education in skill,
- 11 performance and execution to solidify its placement at the
- 12 pinnacle of band excellence by building upon a ten-year winning
- 13 streak of awards' excellence; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the community and band parent association have been
- 15 vital mainstays to the band program's growth and sustained success
- 16 by always supporting the program and its stakeholders; and
- WHEREAS, beginning in 2014, the band program's competitive
- 18 successes began to accumulate with a USBands Southern State

- 19 Championship win, and the band has since reigned as a premiere
- 20 musical program with several notable honors achieved during the
- 21 2022 competition season, which positioned them to maintain the
- 22 coveted elite status as a stellar music education program for Fall
- 23 2023 season, capturing the Band of Braves' fourth consecutive
- 24 MHSAA Class 5A State Marching Championship and being crowned as
- 25 the Band of America Southeastern Regional Grand Champions; and
- 26 WHEREAS, because of their tremendous hard work, steadfast
- 27 determination, and dedication to excellence, the Band of Braves'
- 28 remarkable feat at the Band of America Southeastern Regional
- 29 competition became a historical milestone for the program and the
- 30 State of Mississippi, as the achievement marked a Mississippi's
- 31 band winning of a regional championship for the first time in 36
- 32 years; and
- 33 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
- 34 recognize and commend outstanding Mississippi students, especially
- 35 those such as the members of the South Jones High School "Band of
- 36 Braves" Marching Band, who have brought honor to South Jones High
- 37 School and to the State of Mississippi:
- 38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
- 39 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
- 40 recognize and commend the members of the South Jones High School
- 41 "Band of Braves" Marching Band for their outstanding achievements,
- 42 and extend best wishes for continued success in all their future
- 43 endeavors.

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
- 45 furnished to Mr. Brian Joyce, Director of Bands, and to the
- 46 members of the Capitol Press Corps.