

By: Representative Calvert

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING JACELYN
2 "JAYCIE" COLLINS ON BEING SELECTED AS THE 2024 STATE GAMES OF
3 MISSISSIPPI FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AND ALSO THE 2024 NATIONAL
4 CONGRESS OF STATE GAMES ADULT ATHLETE OF THE YEAR.

5 WHEREAS, Jacelyn "Jaycie" Collins, of Meridian, Mississippi,
6 is the 2024 State Games of Mississippi Female Athlete of the Year
7 and also the 2024 National Congress of State Games Adult Athlete
8 of the Year; and

9 WHEREAS, a gold-medal swimmer who wins in many events and a
10 State Games of Mississippi participant for two years, Jaycie took
11 home five gold medals in 2023 and 2024 in freestyle, breaststroke,
12 butterfly and individual medley; and

13 WHEREAS, Jaycie is an athlete with Down Syndrome, and
14 according to her, "I am short, I have limited arm span, my legs
15 are not terribly long but I love to swim and have learned to use
16 what God created to win in swimming"; and

17 WHEREAS, outside of State Games, Jaycie participates in the
18 Mississippi Special Olympics, and she was a Mississippi Swim Team
19 Delegate to the National Special Olympics in Seattle, Washington,



20 in 2018 and a Mississippi Swim Team Delegate to the National
21 Special Olympics in Orlando, Florida, in 2022; and

22 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
23 and commend outstanding Mississippians, especially those such as
24 Jacelyn "Jaycie" Collins, whose hard work and zealous dedication
25 to swimming and the State Games have brought honor to the Meridian
26 community and to the State of Mississippi:

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
28 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
29 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Jacelyn
30 "Jaycie" Collins on being selected as the 2024 State Games of
31 Mississippi Female Athlete of the Year and also the 2024 National
32 Congress of State Games Adult Athlete of the Year, and extend best
33 wishes for continued success in all her future endeavors.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
35 furnished to Jaycie Collins and to the members of the Capitol
36 Press Corps.

