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By: Senator(s) Chassaniol, Simmons (12th), To: Rules Simmons (13th), Thomas

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 45

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- 4 JORDAN TORCH PRESENTATION CEREMONY.
- 5 WHEREAS, we join the citizens of Mississippi in recognizing
- 6 three Mississippi youths, their Team Captains and corporate
- 7 sponsors, as they present an Official 2024 Olympic Torch to
- 8 Senator David Jordan, representing our state's participation in
- 9 the Paris 2024 Olympics; and
- 10 WHEREAS, on behalf of the Mississippi Senate, Senator David
- 11 Jordan will be presented with an Official 2024 Olympic Torch on
- 12 the floor of the Senate that was earned by three Mississippi Delta
- 13 youths for their accomplishments in the World Wide Contest
- 14 sponsored by Coca Cola Global. Coca Cola is a worldwide partner
- 15 of the Olympic Movement and a presenting partner of the Olympic
- 16 Torch Relay; and

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- 17 WHEREAS, the rewards came to them by way of a 12,000 mile
- 18 journey, throughout 206 nations on five continents associated with
- 19 10,000 retail grocers worldwide. Their rewards included an

- 20 Official 2024 Olympic Torch along with other Olympic keepsake
- 21 memorabilia, to later find a permanent home with their accolades
- 22 in their hometown of Greenwood, Mississippi, in the Mississippi
- 23 Delta. The rewards also include proceeds to be donated to the
- 24 Boys and Girls Clubs of Mississippi in their honor; and
- 25 WHEREAS, this recognition goes beyond the Mississippi Delta.
- 26 This worldly accolade was truly achieved for the entire State of
- 27 Mississippi, and now the three torch recipients: Jeremy Jordan,
- 28 Megan Goss and LeDereck Norals, and Team Captains, Charles E.
- 29 McCoy, Sr., and Roger "Derrick" Simpson, Sr., along with Clark
- 30 Beverage Company and Houchens Food Group are sharing with the
- 31 State of Mississippi in the passing of the Official 2024 Olympic
- 32 Torch to the Honorable Senator David Jordan and District 24 and
- 33 the Mississippi State Senate on the Senate floor on February 27,
- 34 2025, in honor of the many years of service Senator Jordan has
- 35 given to the State of Mississippi. This Worldly Accolade is a
- 36 piece of Senator Jordan's legacy and a historic moment for the
- 37 State Senate and the State of Mississippi. There would be no
- 38 better place to start this statewide journey of the Olympic Torch
- 39 Tour than with the leaders of our beautiful state; and
- 40 WHEREAS, the torch recipients will embark on an Olympic Torch
- 41 Tour that will take them to all corners of the state to share
- 42 everything the Olympic Torch symbolizes with the entire State of
- 43 Mississippi by bringing a worldwide symbol of unity and peace to
- 44 their communities; and

45	WHEREAS, the participation in the Paris 2024 Olympic Torch						
46	Tour exemplifies the values and the spirit of unity and						
47	inspiration the Olympics strives to foster. We pray that the						
48	message that this team will share in 2024-2025 will impact each						
49	Mississippian on the Journey of the 2024 Olympic Torch in our						
50	state; and						
51	WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we commend these best						
52	and brightest young Mississippi citizens who have brought honor to						
53	their families, their community and to the State of Mississippi:						
54	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF						
55	MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby extend the recognition of the						
56	Mississippi Senate to the Mississippi Delta members of the "Coca						
57	Cola 2024 Olympic Torch Tour Team" on the occasion of the Senator						
58	David Jordan Torch Presentation Ceremony, and our best wishes as						
59	they go on the Olympic Torch Tour.						
60	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to						
61	Senator David Jordan and the Mississippi 2024 Olympic Torch Tour						
62	Team, forwarded to Derrick Simpson of Houchens Food Group and be						
63	made available to the Capitol Press Corps.						