

By: Senator(s) Jackson, Simmons (12th),
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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 54

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING COAHOMA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL HEAD
2 BASKETBALL COACH DERRICK MOORE FOR MARKING HIS LEGENDARY 900TH
3 CAREER VICTORY.

4 WHEREAS, we join the alumni, parents, players and faculty at
5 Coahoma County High School in paying tribute to the legendary
6 status of their basketball coach; and

7 WHEREAS, Coahoma County High School (CCHS) Head Basketball
8 Coach Derrick Moore celebrated a significant milestone on February
9 14, 2025, earning his 900th career win with a victory over Amanda
10 Elzy; and

11 WHEREAS, Coach Moore, who has been coaching for 21 years,
12 began his coaching career in 2006 as an assistant coach under
13 legendary Coach Isiah Peterson; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach Moore's coaching staff features a strong
15 family connection, with his brother, Daryl, who won two state
16 championships as a player; his cousin, Jonnetta Robinson Williams,
17 who played in two state championship games for CCHS; and his son,
18 Derrick Moore, Jr., who also won two state championships under his



19 father's leadership. Staff members also include Eddie Taylor and
20 Latarius O'Neil; and

21 WHEREAS, expressing his gratitude, Coach Moore stated, "My
22 coaching staff is the best in the world, hands down. The
23 preparation these coaches go through makes my job much easier."
24 Coach Moore also took time to recognize ESPNTOM, a key figure in
25 his program. "This man is everything to me and this school. He
26 keeps stats, is the public address announcer at games, handles all
27 my media relations, and does scouting reports on players and
28 teams. There's nothing this guy doesn't know"; and

29 WHEREAS, Coach Moore's dedication to his family and the CCHS
30 community is evident. Throughout his career, Coach Moore has
31 earned numerous accolades, including multiple district "Coach of
32 the Year" awards, 10 Delta Valley Conference (DVC) "Coach of the
33 Year" honors, and recognition as the National Federation of State
34 High School Associations (NFHS) "State Coach of the Year." He has
35 also been named the Mississippi Association of Coaches' "Coach of
36 the Year" three times; and

37 WHEREAS, in recognition of his achievements, the gym at CCHS
38 has been named in his honor; and

39 WHEREAS, this year, Coach Moore was named boys' and girls'
40 district "Coach of the Year," and coached his first-ever Dandy
41 Dozen player, Caitlin Hall; and

42 WHEREAS, Coach Moore is also coaching his daughter, who is on
43 the current team. Since taking over the boys' team in 2016, he



44 has led with relentless determination and has never looked back.
45 Although Coach Moore's girls' team has made two state championship
46 appearances, they have yet to secure the title. However, his
47 boys' teams have captured seven State Championships in 2005, 2006,
48 2017, 2018, 2020, 2021 and 2023; and

49 WHEREAS, with his 900th win now in the books, Coach Moore
50 continues to leave an indelible mark on CCHS basketball and the
51 broader community, inspiring players and fans alike:

52 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
53 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend Coahoma County High School
54 Head Basketball Coach Derrick Moore for marking his legendary
55 900th career victory, and extend the best wishes of the
56 Mississippi Senate for future athletic excellence.

57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
58 Coach Derrick Moore, forwarded to the Coahoma County Board of
59 Education, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

