

By: Senator(s) Chassaniol, Barnett

To: Rules

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 59

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE KIRK ACADEMY  
2 RAIDERETTES AND RAIDERS CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS AND COACH CHUCK ROSE  
3 FOR SWEEPING THE 4A MIDSOUTH ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS  
4 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

5 WHEREAS, in a remarkable achievement for the boys and girls  
6 cross country teams of Kirk Academy in Grenada, Mississippi, they  
7 secured the Class 4A Midsouth Association of Independent Schools  
8 State Championships in back-to-back weeks, marking a historic  
9 sweep for the school in October 2024; and

10 WHEREAS, the Raiderettes Top 5 runners finished First, Third,  
11 Fifth, Sixth, and Tenth (all five earning the honor of MAIS All  
12 State Runner). These were: Charley Rose, First Place; Joleigh  
13 Sultan, Third Place; Jana Mims, Fifth Place, Parker Avant, Sixth  
14 Place; and Addison Kilgore, Tenth Place; and

15 WHEREAS, the Raiders won the title while competing with only  
16 Junior Varsity runners, with the Top 5 finishing Second, Fourth,  
17 Seventh, Ninth, and Tenth (all five earning the honor of MAIS  
18 All-State Runner). These were: Cullom Crowe, Second Place; Jack



Cravens, Fourth Place; Maverick Fowler, Seventh Place; Dawson  
Campbell, Ninth Place; and Russell Mims, Tenth Place; and

WHEREAS, for the girls, this is the fifth title in school  
history, and the third for the boys; and

WHEREAS, Coach Chuck Rose has led the team for 13 years, and  
this is the first time since 2015 that both the boys and the girls  
won the state title in the same year; and

WHEREAS, Junior Charley Rose won her fourth straight  
Individual Cross Country State Championship; and

WHEREAS, the success of Kirk Academy's Cross Country Program  
is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the athletes, as  
well as the strong support from school administrators and the Kirk  
Academy Athletic Department; and

WHEREAS, with both boys and girls teams claiming state titles  
in cross country, Kirk Academy has cemented itself as a dominant  
force in Mississippi Cross Country, showcasing not just talent but  
a spirit of teamwork, determination and community pride:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Kirk  
Academy Raiderettes and Raiders Cross Country Teams and Coach  
Chuck Rose for sweeping the 4A Midsouth Association of Independent  
Schools State Championships, and extend our best wishes for a  
continuation of the strength of this Cross Country Program which  
brings great pride to the community and to the State of  
Mississippi.



44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
45 Coach Chuck Rose for both teams, forwarded to the Head of School  
46 Rob Shillito, the Kirk Academy Board of Trustees, and made  
47 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

