To: Rules

By: Senator(s) Suber

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 103

- 1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE COFFEEVILLE
- 2 HIGH SCHOOL PIRATES BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AND HEAD COACH DEMARIUS
- 3 BUSH FOR WINNING THE 2025 MHSAA CLASS 1A BOYS BASKETBALL
- 4 CHAMPIONSHIP.
- 5 WHEREAS, the Coffeeville High School Pirates Basketball Team
- 6 notched a State Championship, defeating Baldwyn, 63-45, to claim
- 7 the MHSAA Boys Class 1A Title at the Mississippi Coliseum on
- 8 February 28; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the win ended a 67-year drought for a state title
- 10 and marked the third time in school history; and
- 11 WHEREAS, "Coffeeville hasn't won a state championship since
- 12 1957, and as a community, we are very proud of this team,"
- 13 District 4 Supervisor Eddie Harris said as team members were
- 14 recognized during a Board of Supervisor meeting at the Coffeeville
- 15 courthouse. The community will purchase championship rings for
- 16 the team members; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the win marked Coffeeville's (23-6) third state
- 18 championship in school history, with the last title coming in
- 19 1959; and

- 20 WHEREAS, Stanford Spearman, Jr., racked up an impressive
- 21 team-high 37 points to lead the Pirates. Spearman was named the
- 22 Most Valuable Player. "That is the most points that have ever
- 23 been scored in a finals game. He has a 3.8 grade point average;
- 24 and
- 25 WHEREAS, the Pirates took an early lead and never trailed in
- 26 the championship game. They ended the first quarter on a 9-0 run
- 27 to take a 17-10 lead. The team went on a 7-2 run at the start of
- 28 the second quarter to extend their lead and was ahead 30-19 at
- 29 halftime. The lead was cut down to 45-37 in the fourth, but
- 30 Coffeeville responded with a 9-3 run, and Jarvis Ross hit a pair
- 31 of free throws to seal the victory. "This just goes to show you
- 32 it is possible, "Coach Demarius Bush said. "Keep putting your
- 33 faith in these young guys and we can win more championships." The
- 34 team was motivated by the memory of their late teammate
- 35 Quinterrion "Uno" Smith, who tragically passed away in July 2024;
- 36 and
- 37 WHEREAS, the 2024-2025 Coffeeville Basketball Boys Roster:
- 38 Stanford Spearman, Jarvis Ross, Kashun Kincaide, Devarin Scott,
- 39 Justin Coffey, De'lanta Tellis, Khalil Chairse, Jamarion
- 40 Robertson, Joshua Brooks, Alandis Smith, Tacorion Reed, Jacoby
- 41 Hayes and Julez Cooper; and
- WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these
- 43 student athletes who have brought honor to their team, their
- 44 school, their community and to the State of Mississippi:

45	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
46	MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the
47	Coffeeville High School Pirates Boys Basketball Team and Head
48	Coach Demarius Bush for winning the 2025 MHSAA Class 1A Boys
49	Basketball Championship, and extend to the team, coaches, parents
50	and sponsors our best wishes for future championships.
51	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
52	Coach Demarius Bush and District 4 Supervisor Eddie Harris for the
53	team, forwarded to the Yalobusha County Board of Education and
54	made available to the Capitol Press Corps.