

By: Senator(s) McLendon, Jackson, Parker,
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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 141

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING HERNANDO HIGH
2 SCHOOL JUNIOR GUARD FRAN KELLY UPON BEING NAMED GATORADE
3 MISSISSIPPI GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR.

4 WHEREAS, we join the basketball community in recognizing
5 Hernando High School junior guard, Fran Kelly, who has been named
6 the Gatorade Mississippi Girls Basketball Player of the Year for
7 the 2024-2025 season. Fran is the first winner of the girls
8 basketball award from Hernando; and

9 WHEREAS, the 5-foot-10 junior led the Lady Tigers to a 22-7
10 record and an appearance in the quarterfinals of the MHSAA Class
11 7A State Playoffs. She averaged 26 points, 4.3 steals, 3.9
12 rebounds, and 3.1 assists per game. Kelly won 7A-Region 1 Player
13 of the Year, was named MHSAA 7A Miss Basketball and was a
14 2024-2025 *Clarion Ledger* Dandy Dozen selection; and

15 WHEREAS, Fran led her team to two straight years undefeated
16 in District 1-7A and two straight District Championships
17 (2023-2024 and 2024-2025), the very first in history in all the
18 above categories for Hernando High School; and



19 WHEREAS, "She is a phenomenal athlete and basketball player,"
20 Lafayette Coach Shayne Linzy said in a news release. "She not
21 only displays a high IQ for the game, but she has the ability to
22 make plays all over the court. With that ability, she still gets
23 her teammates involved as much as possible." Fran is a junior
24 with a 4.0 career GPA; and

25 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize a
26 Mississippi student athlete who has brought honor to her team, her
27 school, her community and to the State of Mississippi:

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
29 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Hernando
30 High School junior guard, Fran Kelly, upon being named Gatorade
31 Mississippi Girls Basketball Player of the Year and extend the
32 best wishes of the Mississippi Senate to Fran and her family as
33 she enters her college career.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
35 Fran Kelly and her coaches, forwarded to the Principal of Hernando
36 High School, Duane Case and made available to the Capitol Press
37 Corps.

