

By: Representatives Ford (54th), Denton

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE
2 WARREN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS SWIMMING TEAMS AND COACH
3 TERRY WONG UPON WINNING THE 2025 MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL
4 ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION CLASS II STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

5 WHEREAS, the Warren Central High School Vikings Boys and
6 Girls Swim Teams made school history, as this was the first state
7 championships won by these remarkable teams, by capturing the 2025
8 Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA) Class II
9 State Championship; and

10 WHEREAS, this historic feat for these talented teams
11 solidified Warren Central's having one of the top swimming
12 programs in the state, because prior to the state championship
13 wins, the boys' team won three consecutive district championships
14 under Coach Wong's leadership; and

15 WHEREAS, during the state championship meet, which was held
16 on October 18, 2025, in Tupelo, Mississippi, the girls' team came
17 away as co-champions with West Jones High School while the boys'
18 team finished in first by 20 points over their runner up, Pearl
19 River Central High School; and



20 WHEREAS, notably, the girls' team of Kara Rowe, Addison
21 Billings, Avery Greer and Ella Opperman won the 400 freestyle in a
22 time of 4:08.10 - 11 seconds ahead of West Jones - to force the
23 tie at the top of the team standings, and the girls' team of
24 Sicily Smith, Rowe, Greer and Billings won the 200 medley relay
25 in a time of 2:04.69; and

26 WHEREAS, the boys' team won two relays, first taking the 200
27 medley relay in a time of 1:49.20 behind the quartet of James
28 McKenna, Thomas Kilroy, Ace Orosco and Jacob Byrd, and the boys
29 won the 400 free relay in a time of 3:34.07 with this same
30 foursome but with a different order of McKenna, Kilroy, Byrd and
31 Orosco; and

32 WHEREAS, although the boys and girls teams in their entirety
33 were dynamic in their performances, as they won four relay events
34 and had 19 top-four finishes, additional honor was bestowed upon
35 Avery Greer and Jacob Byrd who won individual titles in the girls
36 200 yard and boys 500 yard freestyle, respectively; and

37 WHEREAS, the Vikings swim teams have been superbly coached
38 and inspired by Head Coach Terry Wong who has broadened and
39 refined the team members skills in execution, which has cumulated
40 into a history making dual championships for the Vikings and
41 speaks great volumes of his outstanding leadership that ultimately
42 inspired these winning teams; and

43 WHEREAS, the Vikings have been supported in their athletic
44 endeavors and can attribute much of their success to the

45 administration, staff, many parents, fans and overall supporters
46 whose moral and spiritual encouragement remained fervent
47 throughout the season; and

48 WHEREAS, the Vikings have developed a winning and cooperative
49 spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their activities
50 and attitude reflect great credit upon the individual team members
51 and Coach Wong and bring honor to Warren Central High School; and

52 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
53 and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the youth of
54 our state such as the Warren Central High School Vikings swim
55 teams, who are its future:

56 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
57 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
58 THEREIN, That we commend and congratulate the Warren Central High
59 School Vikings Boys and Girls Swim Teams and Head Coach Terry Wong
60 for their outstanding season, for winning the 2025 MHSAA Class II
61 State Championship and for displaying tireless devotion to their
62 athletic endeavors.

63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
64 furnished to Warren Central High School, Coach Terry Wong and to
65 the members of the Capitol Press Corps.