

By: Representatives Grist, Bourdeaux, Horne, To: Rules
Robinson (84th), Young

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 73
(As Adopted by House and Senate)

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MERIDIAN ALL-STARS FOR
2 WINNING THE 1998 BABE RUTH 13-YEAR-OLD WORLD SERIES IN CAPE CORAL,
3 FLORIDA.

4 WHEREAS, the Meridian All-Stars, lead by Head Coach Billy
5 Burnham, won the 1998 Babe Ruth 13-year-old World Series in Cape
6 Coral Florida; and

7 WHEREAS, the Meridian All-Stars began their quest for the
8 World Series going undefeated to win the state title in Vicksburg
9 and then going undefeated to win the regional crown in Little
10 Rock, Arkansas; and

11 WHEREAS, after losing the World Series opener, the Meridian
12 All-Stars battled through the loser's bracket, winning six
13 consecutive games and the World Series Championship; and

14 WHEREAS, during the World Series tournament, the Meridian
15 All-Stars defeated Jacksonville, Florida; Peabody, Massachusetts;
16 Cape Coral, Florida; Salem, Oregon and Shoreview, Minnesota; and

17 WHEREAS, the Meridian All-Stars are comprised of many
18 talented players such as Richmond Alexander, Drew Anderson,
19 Michael Beard, Lance Burnham, John Iverson, Tyler Maxwell, Monroe
20 Mayfield, Ricky McMillen, Fred Patton, Trent Posey, Tyler
21 Singleton, Andy Slayton, Quintin Warren and Print Woodard; and

22 WHEREAS, many individual honors have been bestowed upon
23 various team members in recognition of their fine, dedicated play
24 in the World Series including the naming of Tyler Singleton, Fred
25 Patton, Monroe Mayfield and John Iverson to the All-World Series
26 Team; the selection of Tyler Singleton, Ricky McMillen and Mike

27 Beard to the World Series All-Defensive Team and the naming of
28 Tyler Singleton as the recipient of the Sportsmanship Award; and

29 WHEREAS, the Meridian All-Stars have been superbly coached
30 and inspired by Head Coach Billy Burnham and Assistant Coaches
31 Bill Maxwell and Guy Woodard, who have broadened the kids'
32 knowledge of the game and refined their skills in execution; and

33 WHEREAS, the Meridian All-Stars have developed a winning and
34 cooperative spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their
35 activities and attitude reflect great credit upon the individual
36 players and their coaches; and

37 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize
38 and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the youth of
39 our state, who are its future:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
41 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
42 THEREIN, That we commend and congratulate the Meridian All-Stars
43 and their coaches, Head Coach Billy Burnham and Assistant Coaches
44 Bill Maxwell and Guy Woodard for winning the 1998 Babe Ruth
45 13-year-old World Series in Cape Coral, Florida, and for
46 displaying tireless devotion to their athletic endeavors.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
48 furnished to the Meridian All-Stars, Head Coach Billy Burnham and
49 Assistant Coaches Bill Maxwell and Guy Woodard.