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To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 83

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING POPULAR OLE MISS
2 SENIOR POINT GUARD JASON HARRISON ON HIS RECORD-SETTING COLLEGE
3 BASKETBALL CAREER.

4 WHEREAS, 5'5" Senior Point Guard Jason Harrison, a native of
5 Little Rock, Arkansas, is one of the most popular basketball
6 players in Ole Miss history; and

7 WHEREAS, the diminutive Harrison is the leader of the
8 2001-2002 Ole Miss Basketball Team which won all eight of its SEC
9 games at Tad Smith Coliseum this season and went 13-1 overall,
10 with Harrison's 3-pointers leading his team to a huge win over
11 Southeastern Conference Champion Alabama, 84-56, on Senior Day in
12 front of 80 family members; and

13 WHEREAS, Jason's basketball accomplishments during his career
14 are a matter of record: has played in a school-record 131 career
15 games; is a candidate for the 2002 Frances Pomeroy Naismith Award,
16 which is given annually to the top senior player 6-feet tall and
17 under; has won 86 games in a Rebel uniform, the second-most
18 victories by a four-year senior class in Ole Miss basketball
19 history; is the 26th player in Ole Miss history to score over
20 1,000 points in a career; currently has 1,066 career points and is
21 No. 24 on the Rebel career scoring chart; has 421 career assists
22 and is No. 3 on the Ole Miss all-time assists chart (trailing only
23 Sean Tuohy's 830 assists and Rod Barnes' 456 assists); is only the
24 third player in Ole Miss history to record 100 or more assists in
25 three straight seasons (115 as a sophomore, 104 as a junior, 114
26 as a senior); Sean Tuohy and Rod Barnes are the other two Rebels
27 to do so; has 170 steals, which is No. 3 on the Rebel career



28 assists chart (trailing only Jason Smith's 211 steals and Eric
29 Laird's 179 steals); has hit 161 three-pointers, which is No. 3 on
30 that all-time list (trailing only Keith Carter's 249
31 three-pointers and Joe Harvell's 214 treys); is only the second
32 player in Ole Miss basketball history to have over 1,000 points
33 and 400 assists in a career (Rod Barnes is the other player to do
34 so); named to All-Southeastern Conference third team in the
35 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 seasons; hit what many Rebel fans consider
36 the biggest shot in Ole Miss basketball history when his
37 three-pointer found the bottom of the net with only 51 seconds
38 left versus Notre Dame in the 2001 NCAA Tournament second round;
39 the shot gave Ole Miss a 57-55 lead and the Rebels went on to win
40 59-56; and

41 WHEREAS, Ole Miss Coach Rod Barnes said of Jason: "He is
42 proof that if you work hard and believe in what you are doing,
43 then you can be successful in life. He is a great player and a
44 great person. He is Ole Miss Basketball"; and

45 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the
46 legendary career of this student athlete who has proved that heart
47 counts more than hype and has brought honor to his university and
48 to the State of Mississippi:

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
50 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Ole Miss
51 Senior Point Guard Jason Harrison on his record-setting college
52 basketball career, and wish him continued success in his future
53 endeavors.

54 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
55 Jason Harrison and his family, be forwarded to the Chancellor of
56 the University of Mississippi, and be made available to members of
57 the Capitol Press Corps.

