

By: Senator(s) Walls, Simmons, Harden,  
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To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 611

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE  
2 BROAD STREET HIGH SCHOOL "LADY JAGUARS" GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM AND  
3 LONGTIME COACH WILLIE WASHINGTON FOR WINNING THEIR FIRST-EVER  
4 CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the long quest for the coveted "Gold Ball" trophy  
6 finally came to a successful close for the Broad Street High  
7 School, Shelby, Mississippi, "Lady Jaguars" Basketball Team on  
8 Saturday, March 8, 2003, before a raucous crowd of 3,000 at the  
9 Mississippi Coliseum, when they won their first-ever Class 2A  
10 Girls State Championship with a decisive 70-49 victory over  
11 Coldwater High School; and

12 WHEREAS, the success of the Broad Street Lady Jags did not go  
13 unnoticed in the state; the team finished the year by ranking  
14 eighth in the state in the girls poll, after posting an impressive  
15 34-4 record; and

16 WHEREAS, with Ray Brooks winning the 1A title, it was the  
17 first time ever that Bolivar County had two state champion  
18 basketball teams in the same year; and

19 WHEREAS, "This is a dream come true" said longtime Lady Jags  
20 Head Coach Willie Washington, who has spent 13 of his 34 years at  
21 Broad Street coaching the girl's basketball team, and who  
22 expressed his thanks to the community for supporting championship  
23 basketball in the Delta; Coach Washington is a graduate of  
24 Mississippi Valley State University and has coached football,  
25 basketball and track at Broad Street since December 1968; Coach  
26 Washington taught this team that offense wins ballgames but  
27 defense wins championships; and



28 WHEREAS, 2002-2003 was a landmark season because the Lady  
29 Jaguars had to travel and play their home games at Coahoma  
30 Community College in Clarksdale because of renovations to their  
31 gym; they finished with a perfect record inside their Division  
32 3-2A, put together a 24-game consecutive winning streak at one  
33 point in the season, and won the 2A North Half Regional Title  
34 before advancing to the State Championship Tournament; and

35 WHEREAS, the roster of the 2002-2003 Lady Jaguars is as  
36 follows: Stephanie Bell, Kenyatta Brown, Treeuanna Butler,  
37 Courtney Gooden, Chiquita Grady, Sherikee Grim, Metoya Holmes,  
38 Nekilah Howard, Ursula Johns, Jerrica Moore, Victoria Sigle,  
39 Ashley Smith, Lashundreya Townsend, Sophia Townsend, Leanna  
40 Tucker, Renika Williams, Tacillya Wright, Jalessa Young and  
41 Stephanie Young (Scorekeeper); Willie Washington, Head Basketball  
42 Coach, Nora Davis and Karsha Peterson, Assistant Coaches; and

43 WHEREAS, this basketball season proved that the Lady Jaguars  
44 are for real, and it is with great pride that we recognize the  
45 special accomplishments of this group of student athletes who have  
46 brought honor to their school, their community and to the State of  
47 Mississippi:

48 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
49 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
50 we do hereby commend and congratulate the Broad Street High  
51 School, Shelby, Mississippi, "Lady Jaguars" Girls Basketball Team  
52 and Head Coach Willie Washington for winning their first-ever  
53 Class 2A State Championship and for their excellent 2002-2003  
54 season, and wish them success in their future athletic and  
55 academic endeavors.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
57 the Lady Jaguars, Coach Washington, Principal Walter Robey, Sr.,  
58 and be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

