

By: Representative Compretta

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 122

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE BAY
2 HIGH STEPPERS DANCE TEAM FOR ITS OUTSTANDING 2003-2004 SEASON AND
3 FOR WINNING THE MISSISSIPPI STATE HIGH SCHOOL DANCE TEAM
4 CHAMPIONSHIP AND THE DIVISION 2 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Bay High Steppers Dance Team was the Overall
6 First Place in the Mississippi State High School Dance Team
7 Competition on February 7, 2004, and the National Championship for
8 Division 2; and

9 WHEREAS, competing in five categories, including high kicks,
10 pom, ensemble, officers and prop/novelty, the Bay High Steppers
11 placed first in all five entries; and

12 WHEREAS, for their state win, the Bay High Steppers traveled
13 to Orlando, Florida, on February 12, 2004, to compete in the
14 National Competition, where they earned the title of Division 2
15 National Champions in pom and prop/novelty, in addition to placing
16 third overall in pom and receiving a superior rating for high
17 kick; and

18 WHEREAS, the 2003-2004 Bay High Steppers includes Marissa
19 Turcotte, Ericka Stieber, Leslee Bullock, Elysha Thompson, LeAnn
20 Graves, Katie Morris, Arrian White, Tabitha Jones, Kristina
21 Quintini, Courtenay Ginn, Bridget Johnson, Heather Richardson,
22 Anna Stuart, Mary Monks, Paulette Valle, Melisa Akers, Ashley
23 Green, Tasia Poyadou, Meghan Schmitt and Kheo Ly; and

24 WHEREAS, the Bay High Steppers have been superbly coached and
25 inspired by Sponsor and Choreographer Natalie Skinner and Manager
26 Courtney Bissonnette, who have broadened the steppers' knowledge
27 of the cheerleading and dance choreography competition and refined
28 their skills in execution; and

29 WHEREAS, the Bay High Steppers spend many hours per week
30 practicing their elite stunts, dance routines and cheers in
31 addition to performing at sporting events; and

32 WHEREAS, the Bay High Steppers have developed a winning and
33 cooperative spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their
34 activities and attitude reflect great credit upon the individual
35 steppers and their coach and bring honor to Bay High School; and

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

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
40 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
41 THEREIN, That we do commend and congratulate the Bay High Steppers
42 Dance Team, Sponsor Natalie Skinner and Manager Courtney
43 Bissonnette, for winning Overall First Place in the Coed Division
44 at the Mississippi High School Activities Association's State
45 Cheerleading Championship, the Division 2 National Championship
46 and for displaying tireless devotion to their athletic endeavors.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
48 furnished to Bay High School, Sponsor Natalie Skinner, Manager
49 Courtney Bissonnette and to the members of the Capitol Press
50 Corps.