

By: Senator(s) Browning

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 612

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING
2 PONTOTOC HIGH SCHOOL COACH MIKE BAIN UPON BEING NAMED 2003
3 NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR.

4 WHEREAS, Mike Bain, one of Mississippi's most winning boys
5 cross-country coaches, has recently been named 2003 National Coach
6 of the Year; and

7 WHEREAS, Bain, a highly acclaimed coach in the South, won the
8 designation from the National Federation of State High School
9 Association; and

10 WHEREAS, the following criteria is used in selecting the NFHS
11 Coaches Association's coaches of the year: career coaching
12 record; community service; involvement in other school activities;
13 involvement in coaching profession at local, state and national
14 levels; and philosophy of athletics; and

15 WHEREAS, in the first years of cross-country, starting a
16 cross-country team was difficult, and Coach Bain would often dig
17 into his own pocket to buy uniforms because there was no school
18 budget for it; and

19 WHEREAS, Coach Bain's persistence paid off, making the boys
20 cross-country competition at Pontotoc High School one of the most
21 successful programs in the state; and

22 WHEREAS, Bain's record at Pontotoc High School speaks for
23 itself, where he has amassed 203 wins versus 29 losses with 16
24 state championships and 8 runners-up; and

25 WHEREAS, his teams have finished either first or second in 24
26 of his 26 seasons at Pontotoc High School; and

27 WHEREAS, Coach Bain will be presented with a plaque in honor
28 of this national award by the Mississippi High School Activities
29 Association later this spring; and

30 WHEREAS, Coach Bain is a three-time Mississippi Coach of the
31 Year and a two-time Southeast Regional Coach of the Year (1986 and
32 2003); and

33 WHEREAS, Coach Bain believes that coaching is about helping
34 kids develop physically, mentally and spiritually, and helping
35 kids understand that they can accomplish great things if they
36 believe in themselves and are willing to work for it; and

37 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the special
38 accomplishment of this outstanding cross-country coach, who has
39 brought honor to his school, his community and to the State of
40 Mississippi:

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
42 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
43 we do hereby commend and congratulate Pontotoc High School Coach
44 Mike Bain upon being named 2003 National Coach of the Year, and
45 wish him continued success in his future athletic endeavors.

46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
47 Coach Bain and his family, and be made available to the Principal
48 of Pontotoc High School and the Capitol Press Corps.