

By: Representative Fillingane

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 66

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING COACH HARRY
2 BRELAND FOR HIS CAREER ACCOMPLISHMENTS UPON BEING SELECTED NFHS
3 COACHES ASSOCIATION 2004 NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR IN BASEBALL.

4 WHEREAS, Coach Harry Breland, head baseball coach of the Oak
5 Grove High School Warriors Baseball Team, has compiled an
6 impressive career record of 745 wins and 205 losses since
7 beginning his coaching career at Oak Grove; and

8 WHEREAS, Coach Breland, who began teaching at Oak Grove in
9 1971 after transferring from Purvis during the integration
10 process, was tapped as the 2004 National Federation of State High
11 School Associations (NFHS) Coaches Association, "National Coach of
12 the Year" for his career coaching record, community service,
13 involvement in other school activities, involvement in the
14 education and coaching profession at the local, state and national
15 levels and basic philosophy of athletics; and

16 WHEREAS, having led the Warriors' teams to eight state
17 titles, ten South State titles, twelve Apache Conference
18 Championships and twenty-one District Championships in the course
19 of his career of coaching at Oak Grove, Coach Breland's impressive
20 record has garnered him much recognition and commendation; and

21 WHEREAS, Coach Breland's pursuit of excellence has motivated
22 the Warriors to play harder and inspired them to win in order to
23 reach their goal, but even more so to strive for the team's
24 ultimate goal, the Mississippi High School Activity Association
25 Class 5A State Championship; and

26 WHEREAS, through his 34 years of coaching and conditioning,
27 Coach Breland has superbly coached and inspired all of his teams'

28 players, and has broadened their knowledge of the game and refined
29 their skills in execution; and

30 WHEREAS, Coach Breland's exhibition of superior coaching
31 technique has proven successful as evidenced by the great
32 accomplishments he has achieved in his career; and

33 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
34 recognize and commend excellence in the accomplishments of such an
35 outstanding Mississippian as Coach Breland, whose rise to the top
36 is continually in the making:

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
38 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
39 commend and congratulate the accomplishments of Coach Harry
40 Breland upon his selection as the 2004 NFHS Coaches Association
41 "National Coach of the Year" in baseball.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
43 furnished to Coach Breland, Oak Grove High School and to the
44 members of the Capitol Press Corps.