

By: Representatives Keen, Hall, Kinkade,
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To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 98

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE OLIVE BRANCH HIGH
2 SCHOOL "CONQUISTADORS" BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2024
3 MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION (MHSAA) CLASS 6A
4 BOYS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Olive Branch High School "Conquistadors" Boys
6 Basketball Team reigned victorious against Ridgeland High School
7 in the 2024 Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA)
8 6A Boys Basketball State Championship, the team's second state
9 championship after winning it for the first time in 2018; and

10 WHEREAS, throughout their season, the Conquistadors played
11 with clear eyes, full hearts and unimaginable amounts of
12 fortitude, and during the state championship game, their mental
13 stamina and athletic prowess never wavered from the moment they
14 first hustled onto the court until the final buzzer buzzed, as
15 they outlasted, outplayed, and ultimately overpowered Ridgeland
16 High School in a 59-56 win; and

17 WHEREAS, to claim this illustrious victory, the Conquistadors
18 relied on their swift feet, accurate shooting and strategic
19 defensive moves to stop the opposing offense and outmaneuver their



20 defense, which ultimately allowed them to bring the coveted Gold
21 Ball Trophy back to the Olive Branch High School trophy case; and

22 WHEREAS, the Olive Branch High School Boys Basketball Team is
23 comprised of talented student-athletes who have been superbly
24 coached and inspired by Head Coach Eric Rombaugh, who has
25 broadened the players' knowledge of the game and refined their
26 skills in execution, as he continues to build upon the legacy of
27 superior play and true sportsmanship forged by the tenacious and
28 undaunted spirit of each team member; and

29 WHEREAS, the members of this team will carry the
30 unforgettable memories they made along their way to championship
31 status, whether it be the long hours or the grueling practices, as
32 well as the lessons of hard work, dedication and perseverance
33 learned during this amazing season, throughout their lives as they
34 are constantly flooded with the feeling of greatness that
35 accompanies being a champion; and

36 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
37 recognize and commend excellence, especially that displayed by the
38 Olive Branch High School Boys Basketball Team, and it is with
39 great pride that we congratulate this elite group of
40 student-athletes and Head Coach Eric Rombaugh, who have brought
41 honor to Olive Branch High School and to the State of Mississippi:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
43 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
44 commend and congratulate the Olive Branch High School



45 "Conquistadors" Boys Basketball Team and Head Coach Eric Rombaugh
46 upon winning the 2024 Mississippi High School Activities
47 Association (MHSAA) Class 6A Boys State Basketball Championship,
48 and extend best wishes to the team and Head Coach Rombaugh for
49 continued success in all their future endeavors.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
51 furnished to Olive Branch High School "Conquistadors" Boys
52 Basketball Team, Head Coach Eric Rombaugh, and to the members of
53 the Capitol Press Corps.

