

By: Senator(s) Rhodes, Kirby, Harkins

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 78

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE FLORENCE HIGH
2 SCHOOL "EAGLES" BOYS SOCCER TEAM AND HEAD COACH JOSHUA CAVANAUGH
3 FOR WINNING THE 2024 MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
4 ASSOCIATION CLASS 5A BOYS SOCCER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

5 WHEREAS, the Florence High School "Eagles" Boys Soccer Team
6 defeated Lafayette High School at the 2024 Mississippi High School
7 Activities Association (MHSAA) Class 5A Boys Soccer State
8 Championship on February 17, 2024, the school's fifth state title
9 in school history and first state title since 2017; and

10 WHEREAS, the "Eagles" never wavered from the moment they
11 entered the field until they claimed their well-deserved
12 championship title with a score of 2-1; and

13 WHEREAS, the team's statistics were impressive during the
14 season with 16-8-2, but the key to the "Eagles'" consistent
15 success has been the tremendous dedication and year-round hard
16 work by the team's talented players; and

17 WHEREAS, the "Eagles" have been superbly coached and inspired
18 by Coach Joshua Cavanaugh, who has broadened the team's knowledge
19 of the game and refined their skills in execution; and



20 WHEREAS, the "Eagles" have developed a winning, cooperative
21 spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their activities
22 and attitudes reflect great credit upon the individual players and
23 Coach Cavanaugh; and

24 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these
25 exceptional Mississippi student-athletes, whose hard work,
26 dedication, and excellence on the field bring honor to Florence
27 High School, their community and the State of Mississippi:

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
29 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby recognize and commend the Florence
30 High School "Eagles" Boys Soccer Team and Coach Joshua Cavanaugh
31 upon winning the 2024 MHSAA Class 5A Boys Soccer State
32 Championship, and extend best wishes to the Eagles for continued
33 success in all their future athletic and academic endeavors.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
35 Coach Joshua Cavanaugh, the Florence High School "Eagles" Boys
36 Soccer Team, forwarded to Florence High School Principal Keith
37 Reed, and the Rankin County Board of Education, and made available
38 to the Capitol Press Corps.

