MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION 2026

By: Senator(s) Berry To: Rules

# SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 106

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE SIMPSON COUNTY ACADEMY COUGARS BOYS CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM AND COACH OF THE YEAR ANGEL OVERSTREET FOR BACK-TO-BACK STATE MAIS 4A DIVISION 1 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS AND FOR BEING UNDEFEATED IN 2025.

WHEREAS, the Simpson County Academy Cougars Boys Cross-Country Team went undefeated against all MAIS schools in the 2025 season; and

WHEREAS, they were ranked in the top 25 in Mississippi for all schools, public, private and homeschool; and

WHEREAS, this team ended the 2025 season as the MAIS 4A Division 1 back-to-back State Champions, outscoring the second-place team by 29 points; and

WHEREAS, with an impressive 17:57 time average, the Cougars were the fastest team average across the entire MAIS meet. Jayden Smith finished second individually for the second-consecutive year; and

WHEREAS, this team placed four runners in the 2025 top 10. Members of this back-to-back State Championship team are: Jayden Smith, Denver Carter, Zeke Scallorn, Thomas Martin, Brason Fox,

Parker Payne, John Thomas White, Hunter Smith and Blake Jordan; and Coach Angel Overstreet; and

WHEREAS, Coach Angel Overstreet has been named Coach of the Year for the last two years; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their community and to the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Simpson County Academy Cougars Boys Cross-Country Team and Coach of the Year Angel Overstreet for back-to-back State MAIS 4A Division 1 State Championships and for being undefeated in 2025, and extend to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes for future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Coach of the Year Angel Overstreet and Simpson County Academy Headmaster John Shows for the team, forwarded to the Simpson Academy Board of Trustees, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.