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To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 105

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE 2016-2017
2 HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE MEN'S SOCCER TEAM AND HEAD COACH DOUG
3 WILLIAMS UPON WINNING THE MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY AND
4 JUNIOR COLLEGES STATE SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP AND THE NATIONAL JUNIOR
5 ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION REGION 23 CHAMPIONSHIP.

6 WHEREAS, the Hinds Community College Men's Soccer Team
7 finished the 2016-2017 season with their tenth state title in 18
8 years when they reigned victorious as the Mississippi Association
9 of Community and Junior Colleges (MACJC) State Soccer Champions
10 and the National Junior Athletic Association (NJCAA) Region 23
11 Champions; and

12 WHEREAS, playing with clear eyes, full hearts and
13 unimaginable amounts of strength, the Hinds men outlasted,
14 outplayed and ultimately overpowered Mississippi Gulf Coast
15 Community College in a 2-0 win at the MACJC State Soccer
16 Championship; and

17 WHEREAS, as many veterans of the game have said, "Defense
18 wins championships," this age-old saying defined the immaculate
19 strategy and skill of the Hinds defense, whose grit, fortitude and



20 determination erected a stone wall that helped secure each of the
21 playoff wins as well as the championship victory, while the
22 dedication and athletic prowess of the offensive players helped
23 them become game changers during the championship match, ensuring
24 the revered title crown returned to the Hinds Community College
25 trophy case; and

26 WHEREAS, the NJCAA All-Americans from Hinds Community College
27 Men's Soccer Team include, Chris Rash in 2003 and 2004, Matt
28 Fulton in 2004 and Dillon Walker in 2010, and the NJCAA All-Region
29 Team members include Wanner Paiz, Terry Rogers and Patrick Ross
30 from the 2016-2017 team, and Hinds has had 47 total players in 18
31 years make the NJCAA All-Region Teams; and

32 WHEREAS, the MACJC All-State Team members are Paxton Bounds,
33 JP Burke, Victor Hugo and Christian Williams, all from the
34 2016-2017 team, and 68 players from Hinds have made the All-State
35 Teams in the last 18 years, and the MACJC All-Star Game players
36 include 2016-2017 team members Sess Means, Wanner Paiz, Patrick
37 Ross and BJ Sanders, and Hinds has had 13 players selected to play
38 in the MACJC All-Star Game in 3 years since its beginning; and

39 WHEREAS, the 2016-2017 Hinds Community College Men's Soccer
40 Team statistics were impressive, and there were outstanding
41 headers, strikes, penalty kicks and goals by individual players,
42 but the key to this team's consistent success has been the
43 constant team atmosphere and year-round hard work; and



44 WHEREAS, the Hinds Community College Men's Soccer Team is
45 comprised of very talented and distinguished young men, which
46 ultimately catapulted them to winning their championship status,
47 including: Hill Belding, Tanner Berry, Paxton Bounds, JP Burke,
48 Hunter Cagle, Victor Freitas, Spencer Lucas, Sess Means, Felipe
49 Meireles, Victor Munagorri, Caleb Pace, Wanner Paiz, Josh Parron,
50 Cesar Peterson, Evan Ratcliff, Terry Rogers, Patrick Ross, BJ
51 Sanders, Alex Sterling, Dalton Sullivan, Josh Vidana, Christian
52 Williams and Ethan Zadrozny; and

53 WHEREAS, the Hinds team has been superbly coached and
54 inspired by the eighth winningest active NJCAA soccer coach in the
55 nation, Head Coach Doug Williams, who has broadened the teams'
56 knowledge of the game and refined their skills in execution, and
57 he was named the MACJC Coach of the Year for 2016 for the tenth
58 time, previously named in 2000, 2001, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007,
59 2008, 2010 and 2015, and his record for the 2016-2017 season is
60 10-4-1 and his overall 17-year career record is 222 wins, 80
61 losses and 19 ties; and

62 WHEREAS, Coach Williams continues to build upon the legacy of
63 superior play and true sportsmanship forged by the tenacious and
64 undaunted spirit of each team member, as evidenced in his ability
65 to produce high caliber players and plays and the team's
66 successful season; and

67 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
68 recognize and commend the superb accomplishments of Mississippi



69 student-athletes, especially those such as the Hinds Community
70 College Men's Soccer Team, whose excellence on the field and in
71 the classroom with a collective GPA of 3.27, bring honor to their
72 school, the Hinds County community and the State of Mississippi:

73 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
74 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
75 commend and congratulate the 2016-2017 Hinds Community College
76 Men's Soccer Team and Head Coach Doug Williams upon winning the
77 Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges State
78 Soccer Championship and the National Junior Athletic Association
79 Region 23 Championship and extend best wishes to the team and
80 coaches for continued success in all of their future athletic and
81 academic endeavors.

82 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
83 furnished to Head Coach Doug Williams and to the members of the
84 Capitol Press Corps.

