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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE MISSISSIPPI STATE SINGLE GAME-SCORING RECORD OF 91 POINTS FOR SIX-GIRL BASKETBALL SET BY MARY LOUISE NECAISE MORAN OF KILN, MISSISSIPPI, ON FEBRUARY 17, 1951.

WHEREAS, when Mary Louise Necaïse Moran of Kiln, Mississippi, read in the *Sun Herald* that Felicia Hayes of Harrison Central had set a new Mississippi girls single-game-scoring record with 68 points, she was quite surprised. The reason was that on February 17, 1951, Moran scored 91 points for Kiln High School in a 102-51 rout of St. Joseph's School of Pass Christian in the Region 8 Class B-BB Subdistrict Basketball Tournament; and

WHEREAS, according to Jackson *Clarion-Ledger* Sports Writer Bill Spencer, the new record is for Mississippi five-girl basketball. The National High School Federation differentiates in its record book between five-girl and six-girl basketball. The six-girl state basketball record was set by Mary Louise Necaïse Moran at 91 points; and

WHEREAS, Mary Moran, whose maiden name is Necaise, was a six-foot sophomore at Kiln High School during her scoring avalanche. She had started for Kiln since entering the seventh grade. "I was just hitting everything I threw up," Moran said. "I kept scoring. The crowd was acting ugly about the situation. Coach Percy Garriga told me to keep pouring them through"; and

WHEREAS, Moran, who graduated in 1953 as Kiln's Valedictorian, accomplished her scoring feat as a 16-year-old in the old Bay High School gymnasium. "In the seventh grade, I started on the high school team. We had three tall forwards. The night I scored the 91 points, the other two tall forwards were out of school." Kiln led 26-20 at halftime, then scored 76 points in the second half. In those days, girls played only six-minute quarters and played three-on-three on each end of the floor. "I was having a ball," she said. "In those days you could stand under the goal. It wasn't like today." Mary prefers six-girl basketball format to today's five-girl scheme; and

WHEREAS, Mary is a mother of five and grandmother of four. Her brother, John Necaise, played on Hancock North Central's Class B-BB State Championship and Overall State Championship Team as did her four first cousins: Doug (Spider) Necaise, Barney Necaise, the late Wayne Dooley Necaise and Donald Necaise; and

WHEREAS, the report in the February 19 edition of the *Daily Herald* read: "The Kiln girls were hot in the last half of their game and scored 76 points to swamp the St. Joseph's School Lassies

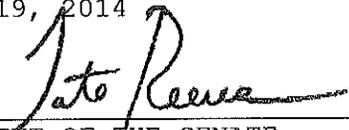
behind the fiery shooting of forward M.L. Necaise who racked up a 91-point total for the night's work. The carnage started after the normal first and second quarters which found Kiln on top 22-18 in the first quarter and ahead 26-20 as the second stanza ended"; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we join the Mississippi Gulf Coast in remembering this record-setting moment in Mississippi sports history that brings pride to a sports family, a school, a community and to the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commemorate the Mississippi State single-game-scoring record of 91 points for six-girl basketball set by Mary Louise Necaise Moran of Kiln, Mississippi, on February 17, 1951, and extend our best wishes to Mary and her family on this historic occasion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Mary Louise Necaise Moran and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE  
March 19, 2014

  
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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
March 21, 2014

  
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES