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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI "OLE MISS REBELS" FOOTBALL TEAM AND COACH HUGH FREEZE FOR THEIR IMPRESSIVE VICTORY IN THE BBVA COMPASS BOWL IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ON JANUARY 5, 2013.

HOTTY TODDY !!!

WHEREAS, six weeks after closing out its regular season by defeating No. 24 Mississippi State to bring home the Egg Bowl Trophy for the first time since 2008, Ole Miss (7-6) ripped Pitt in the BBVA Compass Bowl on January 5, 2013, in Birmingham, Alabama (38-17). It was Ole Miss' first bowl appearance since

topping Oklahoma State 21-7 in the 2010 AT&T Cotton Bowl. The 38 points scored by Ole Miss is a BBVA Compass Bowl record; and

WHEREAS, Ole Miss has now won 9 of its last 10 bowl games and each of its last 5. The win moves Ole Miss' bowl record to 22-12. The Rebels' 22 bowl victories are tied for the 11th most in the country with Auburn and LSU; and

WHEREAS, Ole Miss sophomore quarterback Bo Wallace, the BBVA Compass Bowl MVP, finished the game 22-32 passing for 151 yards with 3 touchdowns and 2 interceptions. The Rebels spread the ball around through the air with 3 receivers catching 5 or more passes. Freshman running back I'Tavius Mathers led Ole Miss on the ground with 6 carries for 96 yards, including a 62-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter, the longest in BBVA Compass Bowl history. On the defensive side of the ball, junior middle linebacker Mike Marry led Ole Miss with 7 tackles, 4 tackles for loss and a forced fumble; and

WHEREAS, playing in front of a predominantly red-clad BBVA Compass Bowl record crowd of 59,135, Ole Miss got off to a quick start. Rebels cornerback Senquez Golson dropped back into coverage and picked off Pitt quarterback Tino Sunseri's pass and returned it to the Panthers' 23-yard line. Following Golson's interception, Wallace capped off a five-play, 23-yard drive with a 14-yard touchdown pass to junior wide receiver Ja-Mes Logan to give the Rebels a 7-0 lead. Wallace later completed his eighth consecutive pass to start the game with a 27-yard touchdown pass

to senior wide receiver Randall Mackey, the first of his career. Wallace completed his third touchdown pass of the game with an 18-yard strike to sophomore wide receiver Vince Sanders. The touchdown pass, Wallace's 22nd of the year, moved him up to fourth on the Ole Miss single-season list, surpassing Eli Manning's 2002 total of 21. Ole Miss' 24 first-half points tied the BBVA Compass Bowl record for most points scored in a half. Ole Miss took a 21-point lead with 21 seconds remaining in the third quarter on a one-yard quarterback sneak from Barry Brunetti that put the game on ice. The Rebels' defense gave up just 4 yards in the entire third quarter, and did not allow a single first down; and

WHEREAS, following the game, Freeze was doused with yellow Gatorade and spoke about how far Ole Miss came during the season after being picked to finish last in the Southeastern Conference in the preseason prognostications. "Our guys really chose to buy in and decided we can determine who we want to be. We don't have to have someone else determine that," Freeze said. "I didn't know if we could (go to a bowl) or not, but I knew we could attack each week as an individual challenge and game. I was very clear with our goal in year one, that was to play with passion of football for our great university; I don't doubt one single game that we didn't give passion for our university"; and

WHEREAS, this was the first meeting between Ole Miss and Pitt. The Rebels now own an all-time record of 628-492-35 (.559 winning percentage). Sophomore quarterback Bo Wallace moved up to

second on the Ole Miss single-season total yards list with 3,384 third on the passing yards list with 2,994 and fourth on the passing touchdowns list with 22. Sophomore wide receiver Donte Moncrief (Feed Moncrief!!) caught 6 passes for 31 yards, moving him up to second on the school's single-season list with 979 receiving yards. Senior K. Bryson Ross made 5 PATs and a field goal for 8 points. He finished the season with 103 points (tied for second in school history) in his Rebel career; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 Rebel roster is: Dehendret Collins, DB; Randall Mackey, QB; Quintavius Burdette, DB; Charles Sawyer, DB Jeff Scott, RB; Denzel Nkemdiche, LB; Nicholas Parker, RB; Frank Crawford, DB; I'Tavius Mathers, RB; Wesley Pendleton, DB; Jaylen Walton, RB; Trae Elston, DB; Jordan Holder, WR; Chief Brown, DB; Terrell Grant, WR; Maikhail Miller, QB; Ivan Nicholas, DB; C.J. Johnson, DE; Vince Sanders, WR; Barry Brunetti, QB; Channing Ward, DE; Cliff Coleman, DB; Donte Moncrief (Feed Moncrief!!), WR; Brishen Mathews, DB; Robert Ratliff, QB; Serderius Bryant, LB; Bo Wallace, QB; Bo Brennan, QB; Joel Kight, LB; Jay Hay, DB; Collins Moore, WR; Tanner Burns, DB; Jamal Mosley, TE; Louis Covington, DB; Stewart Summers, QB; Justin Watts, K; Aaron Garbutt, LB; Jeremy Reed, WR; Senquez Golson, DB; J'mon Scott, RB; Tyriek Gracia, DB; Philander Moore, WR; Anthony Standifer, DB; Keith Lewis, LB; Joshua Hall, WR; Cody Prewitt, DB; Andrew Fletcher, K; Will Martin, LB; Jimmy Potepa, RB; Sam Noblin, LB; Josh Richardson, DB; Mike Hilton, DB; LaKedrick King, DB; Korvic Neat,

WR; Abdul Bangura, DB; Devin Thomas, RB; Kyle Horine, DB; JoJo Pearson, RB; Temario Strong, DL; E.J. Epperson, DE; Carlos Davis, RB; Ontario Berry, DB; Kameron Wood, DE; Jordan Gallegos, WR; Jason Jones, DE; Billy Busch, RB; D.T. Shackelford, LB; Charlie Scott, RB; Ralph Williams, LB; H.R. Greer, RB; Josh Lancaster, LB; John Youngblood, TE; Justin Bigham, RB; Ethan Hutson, OL; Walker Sturgeon, DE; Will Few, LS; Mike Marry, LB; Tyler Gray, DL; Carlos Thompson, DE; Cameron Whigham, DE; Woodrow Hamilton, DT; Evan Swindall, C; Corey Gaines, OL; Will Denny, LS; Derrick Wilson, OL; Ben Still, OL; Chase Hughes, C; Chris Gill, OL; Justin Bell, OL; Emmanuel McCray, OL; Pierce Burton, OL; Aaron Morris, OL; Darone Bailey, OL; Jared Duke, OL; A.J. Hawkins, OL; Patrick Junen, OL; Robert Conyers, OL; Josh Pinkston, WR; Bryson Rose, K; Jim Broadway, K; Dylan Dyer, TE; Ferbia Allen, TE; Jack Nuismer, TE; Ja-Mes Logan, WR; Matt Brown, TE; Cody Core, WR; John Ratliff, WR; Taz Zettergren, TE; Terrell Brown, OL; Nathan Noble, K; Carlton Martin, DT; Uriah Grant, DT; Chris Conley, P; Issac Gross, DL; Bryon Bennett, DT; Andrew Ritter, K; Tyler Campbell, P; Josh Price, DE; Shawn Wilkes, DL; and Gilbert Pena, DT; Hugh Freeze, Head Coach; Assistant Coaches: Tom Allen, Maurice Harris, Grant Heard, Chris Kiffin, Matt Luke, Wesley McGriff; Derrick Nix and Dan Werner; Dave Wommack, Associate Head Coach for Defense; Corey Batoon, Assistant A.D. for Player Development; Barney Farrar, Assistant A.D. for High School and Junior College Relations; Paul Jackson, Strength Conditioning Coach; John Miller, Assistant A.D.

for Football Operations; Tyler Siskey, Coordinator of Recruiting Development; Andy Commer, Coordinator of Video Services; Ken Crain, Head Equipment Manager; and Pat Jernigan, Head Athletic Trainer; and

WHEREAS, the nation witnessed Coach Freeze's Rebels make a giant step in the SEC West; and it is with great pride that we recognize this group of student athletes, their parents and coaches, who have brought honor to their university, their 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 commend and congratulate the University of Mississippi "Ole Miss Rebels" Football Team and Coach Hugh Freeze for their outstanding 2012 Regular Season, and extend our best wishes to the team, coaches and administration on this auspicious occasion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to the Ole Miss Rebels Football Team and Coach Freeze, forwarded to the University of Mississippi Chancellor Dan Jones and the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
February 8, 2013

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
February 13, 2013

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES