

Senate Resolution 804

By: Senator Staton of the 18th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Lamar Taylor; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
3 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
4 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

5 WHEREAS, the United States recently lost one of its finest and most distinguished citizens
6 in the passing of Mr. Lamar Taylor on May 13, 2009; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor has long been recognized by the citizens of this nation for the vital
8 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
9 citizens of the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
11 States Navy as a commanding officer and encouraged everyone he encountered to remember
12 those who give selflessly to protect democracy; and

13 WHEREAS, a resident of Macon, Georgia, Mr. Taylor was known throughout his
14 community as a historian, and as one of Macon's last remaining Pearl Harbor survivors, Mr.
15 Taylor imparted his experiences in the military on classrooms, politicians, and neighbors; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor was a fixture at local Little League games and a huge supporter of
17 his granddaughter's soccer team, Mt. de Sales; and

18 WHEREAS, the passing of this American hero leaves an unfillable void in the hearts and
19 lives of his family and friends, but his message about the importance of remembering
20 America's soldiers and veterans lives on in everyone who knew him; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something
22 greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding
23 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished American be recognized
24 appropriately.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of Mr. Lamar Taylor; commend
27 his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the citizens of his country;
28 and extend to his family their most profound appreciation for all members of the United
29 States military who stand ever ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Lamar Taylor.