

Honoring the life and memory of Mayor Ronnie A. Dixon Sr.; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of Mayor Ronnie A. Dixon Sr. on April 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dixon was a lifelong resident of Vidalia, Georgia, and a beloved son of Hugh M. Dixon and Myrtice Dixon Young; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard, exemplifying the highest ideals of public service; and

WHEREAS, active in Vidalia politics for decades, Mayor Dixon first served on the Vidalia City Council from 1978 until he was elected mayor in 1994, a position he held until his passing; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as mayor, he served as a member of the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA), where he was recently inducted into the GMA Hall of Fame; as a member of Vidalia First United Methodist Church, where he held a position on the Usher Committee; and as a member of the Vidalia Rotary Club; and

WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Sandy, and was blessed with three remarkable sons, Ronald Jr., Hugh, and Randy; and five wonderful grandchildren, Landon, Sutton, Ellie, Calhoun, and Mills; and

WHEREAS, a devoted fan of the University of Georgia Bulldogs, Mayor Dixon sported a year-round wardrobe of red and black and regularly watched the team play in Athens, Georgia, where he enjoyed tailgating with family and friends; and

WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he made this world a better place in which to live; and

WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mayor Dixon will long be remembered for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mayor Ronnie A. Dixon Sr. and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Mayor Ronnie A. Dixon Sr.

Senate Resolution 962
By: Senator Tillery of the 19th

Adopted in the Senate June 16, 2020

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