

Senate Resolution 207

By: Senators Tillery of the 19th, Harper of the 7th, Hatchett of the 50th, Dixon of the 45th, Burns of the 23rd and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Wayne Brantley; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Wayne Brantley on February 10, 2021; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Wayne Brantley was born on June 23, 1950, a beloved son of Denton and Eliza
5 Brantley; and
- 6 WHEREAS, dedicating much of his life in the service of others, he worked as a correctional
7 officer at Georgia State Prison, a license examiner with the Georgia State Patrol, and a
8 trooper with the Georgia State Patrol before retiring after 30 years of law enforcement; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was an honest and dedicated public servant who strove for excellence in all
10 of his endeavors and whose primary concern was the welfare and safety of the citizens of this
11 state; and
- 12 WHEREAS, his work to establish the first rural EMS station and the first rural fire
13 department in Toombs County and his honorable service as the fire department chief and a

14 member of the Toombs County Fire Association are an additional testament to his
15 commitment to the well-being of others; and

16 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith who witnessed Christ through word and deed,
17 Wayne was an active member of the Uvalda Church of God; and

18 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife of 50 years, Bonnie, and was
19 blessed with two remarkable children, Richard and Denton Jr.; six wonderful grandchildren,
20 Hunter, Eliza, Erika, Anslie, Grayson, and Hayden; and three incredible great-grandchildren,
21 Willow, Knox, and Duke; and

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

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

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

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 join in honoring the life and memory of Wayne Brantley and express their deepest and most
33 sincere regret at his passing.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
36 Wayne Brantley.