

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1065

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Tony Neal Dickson, Jr.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Tony Neal Dickson, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dickson was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Savannah on October 15, 1966, Tony Neal Dickson was the son of Greta Frances Shutt and Tony Neal Dickson, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, he attended Columbia Military Academy in Columbia and Castle Heights Military Academy in Lebanon before graduating from Hardin County High School in Savannah; following graduation, he was admitted into the Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dickson enjoyed horseback riding, golfing, and boating; an avid sports fan, he loved to watch and cheer on his favorite teams, the Dallas Cowboys and the University of Tennessee Volunteers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dickson evinced his faith at Lambuth United Methodist Church in Jackson; and

WHEREAS, he was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dickson will be lovingly remembered by his sons, Trae Neal Dickson and Alex Joshua "AJ" Killingsworth; his sister, Lisa Griffith; and a host of family and friends; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his grandparents, W.E. Shutt, Jr., Hadie Reed Shutt, Joe Dickson, and Alma Dickson; and his step-grandmother, Lura Dickson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dickson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Tony Neal Dickson, Jr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Dickson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.