

By: Senator(s) Barrett, Brumfield, Frazier

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 48

1 A RESOLUTION MOURNING THE PASSING OF RESPECTED SUMMIT POLICE
2 OFFICER TROY FLOYD WHO WAS LOST IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND
3 COMMEMORATING HIS BRAVE SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF LINCOLN COUNTY.

4 WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that we note the passing of
5 respected Summit Police Officer Troy Floyd who was lost in the
6 line of duty on August 8, 2024; and

7 WHEREAS, Floyd was a native son of Lincoln County. He
8 graduated from Brookhaven High School in 1991 and lived in the
9 Clear Branch Community; and

10 WHEREAS, Floyd's family owned The Half Shell. Growing up
11 Floyd was always there working, washing dishes or busing tables.
12 "He was a hard worker and would give the shirt off of his back.
13 He loved his family and his church. He loved every stranger," his
14 friend Donnie Hedgepeth said. "I know I loved him. He was my
15 brother. We spent days, nights and weekends together growing up."
16 After high school, while Hedgepeth joined the military, Floyd
17 joined law enforcement; and



18 WHEREAS, Troy worked as a jailer, patrol officer and parole
19 agent with the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Mississippi
20 Department of Corrections, Wesson and Summit Police Departments.

21 His career in law enforcement spanned an impressive 27 years; and

22 WHEREAS, Lincoln County Sheriff Steve Rushing said Floyd was
23 a great guy who started his career in law enforcement about the
24 time he did. He recalled Floyd riding with him on patrol when
25 Floyd was a reserve officer. "He loved law enforcement and
26 working with people and kids," Sheriff Rushing said. "He worked
27 with our DARE program. He just had a heart for kids and people in
28 general. Working with kids was what he really enjoyed doing. He
29 enjoyed interacting with the community and had a great knack for
30 connecting with kids in that way"; and

31 WHEREAS, Troy Floyd had great compassion for others
32 especially with his job. He attended Bethel Temple Pentecostal
33 Church. His faith was the driving force in his life as evidenced
34 by numerous stories people shared in reaction to his death. "He
35 loved the Lord more than anything and you knew where he stood,"
36 Sheriff Rushing said; and

37 WHEREAS, we can never repay our debt to Troy Floyd and his
38 family, but we must do what we can, with all that we have, to live
39 our lives in a way that pays tribute to his memory. We should not
40 pause and remember to thank police officers and first responders
41 only in the wake of tragedy. We should do it every day:



42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
43 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby mourn the passing of respected
44 Summit Police Officer Troy Floyd who was lost in the line of duty
45 and commemorate his brave service to the citizens of Lincoln
46 County, and extend our condolences to Officer Floyd's surviving
47 family and friends.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
49 the surviving family of Officer Troy Floyd, forwarded to the
50 Summit Police Chief and Lincoln County Sheriff, and made available
51 to the Capitol Press Corps.

