

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 76

BY SENATORS THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Milton Vance Linder.

WHEREAS, Milton Vance Linder, lovingly known as "Fox", the "White Shadow", "Coach", and "Big" was born March 6, 1940, in Winnsboro, Louisiana, and spent his childhood in Franklin Parish; and

WHEREAS, he developed an early passion for basketball and in 1959, earned a place on the Louisiana State Championship basketball team and was named the Louisiana High School Athletic Association Most Valuable Player; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating Fort Necessity High School in 1960, he attended Northeast Louisiana State College on a basketball scholarship; and

WHEREAS, while in college he discovered his passion for education and earned a master's degree in educational leadership; and

WHEREAS, he began his career at Ogden High School in 1962, where he taught and coached for eight years; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, Milton moved to Delhi High School, where he coached football, basketball, and golf, earning a string of victories and being named the 1974 Louisiana Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, a man of many talents and abilities, his career continued to blossom when in 1970 he was appointed principal of Delhi Elementary School, a position he would serve in for over twenty years, and during which time he was an important voice in the Louisiana Association of School Executives as well as the Louisiana Association of Principals, where he served as president; and

WHEREAS, he was an active member of the Free and Accepted Masons, Delhi Jaycees, Lion's Club, and the Northeast Louisiana Livestock Association Livestock Show, where he served as president from 1997 to 2016, and was a member of the Richland Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, a devout and humble Christian, Milton was a faithful member of Dehli First Baptist Church where he enjoyed singing in the choir, working with youth, and his men's group for over fifty years; and

WHEREAS, he left this earth to be with his Heavenly Father on March 29, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a true friend and a loving father, husband, and brother, Milton Vance Linder will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere condolences upon the death of Milton Vance Linder.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Milton Vance Linder.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE