

Senate Resolution 63

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Harbison of the 15th and Rahman of the 5th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Lewis Debreczen Vaughns Sr.; 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 Lewis Debreczen Vaughns Sr. on December 30, 2020; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Lewis Debreczen Vaughns Sr. was born on November 8, 1925, in Brunson,
5 South Carolina, a beloved son of Josiah and Eliza Vaughns; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans in Japan near the
8 end of World War II; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his late wife, Albertha, and was blessed
10 with three remarkable children, Sandra, Lewis Jr., and Leslie; four wonderful grandchildren,
11 Michelle, Deirdre, Brittany, and Kamryn; eight outstanding great-grandchildren; and two
12 excellent great-great-grandchildren; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Lewis tirelessly directed an extraordinary amount of time and talent toward
14 guiding the young people of this state to a brighter future, as evidenced by his work as an

15 educator, a social worker, the director of the Career Opportunities Program, and a school
16 administrator; and

17 WHEREAS, a dedicated member of the community with a strong work ethic, he further
18 served with the Retired Teachers Association, the Georgia Education Association, the
19 NAACP, the National Association of Guardsmen, the Falcons Civic Club, the Savannah
20 State National Alumni Association, the Pan Hellenic Council, and many more; and

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

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

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

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

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
35 Lewis Debreczen Vaughns Sr.