

By Senator Hill

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1 Senate Resolution No. ____

2 A resolution recognizing and honoring Dexter

3 Lamar Jackson for his extraordinary

4 achievements.

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6 WHEREAS, Dexter Lamar Jackson was born July 28, 1977,

7 in Quincy, Florida, to Lula and the late Wilber "Red" Jackson,

8 and was raised and educated in Gadsden County, Florida,

9 graduating from James A. Shanks High School, where he achieved

10 stardom in football, basketball, and track, and

11 WHEREAS, before graduating from high school, Dexter

12 Lamar Jackson accepted a grant-in-aid scholarship to play

13 football at Florida State University, where he achieved

14 stardom in his performances at free safety, and was selected

15 by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the 4th round of the 1999 NFL

16 Draft, and

17 WHEREAS, in 2001 preseason drills, Dexter Lamar Jackson

18 became the starting free safety for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers,

19 a position he thereafter retained and in which he continually

20 excelled, becoming a leader on the team widely considered to

21 have the best defense in the NFL, and

22 WHEREAS, Dexter Lamar Jackson achieved superstardom in

23 his performances as free safety in Super Bowl XXXVII,

24 intercepting two passes in critically important situations to

25 enable the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to gain the momentum needed to

26 establish control of the game, dominate the Oakland Raiders,

27 decidedly win the game, and become the 2003 World Champions in

28 professional football, and

29 WHEREAS, in recognition of the critical value of his

30 performances in the game, Dexter Lamar Jackson was voted Most

31 Valuable Player of Super Bowl XXXVII, becoming only the 3rd

1 defensive back and the 7th defensive player in Super Bowl
2 history to win that award, NOW, THEREFORE,

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4 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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6 That the Florida Senate recognizes Dexter Lamar Jackson
7 for his extraordinary achievements, and commends him for the
8 great honor he has brought to the State of Florida in being
9 voted Most Valuable Player of Super Bowl XXXVII.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
11 with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Dexter
12 Lamar Jackson as a tangible token of the sentiments of the
13 Florida Senate.

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