



UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Student Government Association

Resolution 30-08

A Resolution to Thank the 2017 University of Georgia Football Team and Senior Players

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WHEREAS, The University of Georgia Bulldogs Football team valiantly competed in the 2018 College Football Playoff National Championship, the University of Georgia's first National Championship opportunity since 1982; and

WHEREAS, The Georgia Bulldogs finished the season with an overall record of 13-2, claiming revenge on teams such as Tennessee (41-0), Vanderbilt (45-14), Florida (42-7), Georgia Tech (38-7), and Auburn (28-7), as well as a historic and thrilling victory over Notre Dame (20-19); and

WHEREAS, The Georgia Bulldogs claimed the SEC Eastern Division Title, being undefeated in their division, and moved on to claim the SEC Championship, thereby sealing their first bid to the fourth College Football Playoff Semi-Final as the No. 3 overall team; and

WHEREAS, The Georgia Bulldogs traveled to the Rose Bowl, the Granddaddy of Them All, in Pasadena, CA, to play the University of Oklahoma Sooners, the No. 2 overall team, leaving the Sooners in tears after a 54-48 win in double overtime on a touchdown run by Sony Michel, and crushing the hopes and dreams of Heisman winner Baker Mayfield; and

WHEREAS, The victorious Georgia Bulldogs made history at the Rose Bowl by successfully kicking the longest field goal, 55 yards by Rodrigo Blankenship, participating in the first overtime and subsequently second overtime, and by contributing to the whopping 102 combined points scored during the game, making the 2018 Rose Bowl the highest scoring Rose Bowl game of all time; and

WHEREAS, Roquan Smith, The 2017 Butkus Award Winner and SEC Defensive Player of the Year, brought glory to The University of Georgia throughout the season; and

WHEREAS, The University of Georgia Football program has laid the foundation for future generations of stellar football due to the high expectations and commitment of our players and coaches, including securing the No. 1 overall recruiting class of 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the 30th administration of the Student Government Association, on behalf of the student body, would like to thank our Senior players including John Atkins, Davin Bellamy, Jeb Blazeovich, Aulden Bynum, Lorenzo Carter, Reggie Carter, Nick Chubb, John Courson, Aaron Davis, Jordan Davis, Alex Essex, Turner Fortin, Trent Frix, Jacob Gross, Carson Hall, Daniel Harper, Matthew Herzwurm, Tim Hill, David Marvin, Miles McGinty, Sony Michel, Cameron Nizialek, Malkom Parrish, Christian Payne, Brice Ramsey, Dominick Sanders, Dyshon Sims, Thomas Swilley, Shakeneth Williams, Javon Wims and Isaiah Wynn for their continuous hard work, leadership, determination, humility, pride, and desire to finish what was left unfinished in 2017; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the 30th administration of the Student Government Association, on behalf of the student body, would like to thank respected alumni and second year Head Coach, Kirby Smart, for returning to his alma mater and leading the Bulldog Nation in the greatest football season in recent history; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the 30th administration of the Student Government Association, on behalf of the student body, would like to thank the entire Georgia Bulldog Football Team including the offense, defense, special teams, scout team, and coaching staff for reminding us once again of Larry Munson's proclamation that "there is truly no institution worthy of such loyalty as the University of Georgia."

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