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**Summary:** Thomas Walter Gaither

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THOMAS WALTER GAITHER FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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