

**9726. RESOLUTION 08-05 - EXTENDS SYMPATHIES AND CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF FORMER COMMISSIONER DR. GARRETT B. LYONS, SR.**

WHEREAS, Dr. Garrett B. Lyons, Sr. was appointed by Governor Sherman W. Tribbitt to serve as a Commissioner for the Delaware River and Bay Authority, participating in his first Commission Meeting on July 16, 1974; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lyons served with distinction, enthusiasm and dedication as a Delaware River and Bay Authority Commissioner for twenty-seven years, including twenty-four of those years as either Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the twelve member Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, as a DRBA Commissioner, Dr. Lyons willingly supplied his time, talents, and energy to the successful operation of the Delaware Memorial Bridge, Cape May - Lewes Ferry, the DRBA Business Centre, New Castle Airport, Millville Airport, Cape May Airport, Delaware Airpark, Civil Air Terminal at Dover, and the Three Forts Ferry Crossing, all of which are managed by the Delaware River and Bay Authority; and

WHEREAS, following his service as a Captain in the United States Air Force Dental Corps during the Korean War, Dr. Lyons established his own dental practice in 1961, a career that lasted more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, the successful Wilmington dentist also served as Dental Director at the Alfred I. DuPont Institute, providing essential dental services for young patients; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lyons had a record of deep community involvement, serving on the Boards of Mellon Bank, Blood Bank of Delaware, Beebe Hospital and was elected Commissioner of the Town of Henlopen Acres from 1995-2001; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lyons passed away on Friday, December 14, 2007.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware River and Bay Authority does hereby recognize and appreciate Dr. Lyons' outstanding, invaluable contributions to the bi-state agency and his community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Delaware River and Bay Authority extends its condolences and sympathies to the family of Dr. Garrett B. Lyons, Sr. and does hereby record these proclamations by the presentation of this Resolution, adopted today, January 15, 2008.

A motion to approve Resolution 08-05 was made by Commissioner Patterson, seconded by Commissioner Hensley, and approved by a roll call vote of 11-0.

Commissioner Hensley stated that she was appointed to the Commission as Dr. Lyons was leaving the Board and that he was a tremendous leader in helping children with special needs.