

join with my fellow Marylanders in paying tribute to the memory of Governor Theodore R. McKeldin, who gave so unstintingly of himself to make Maryland and the Nation a better place for us all; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to Mr. Theodore R. McKeldin, Jr., 706 St. George's Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21210.

Approved March 4, 1975.

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No. 3

(Senate Joint Resolution 14)

A Senate Resolution concerning

Senator William Leo (Bip) Hodges

FOR the purpose of expressing its deep regret of the General Assembly of Maryland on the passing of our former colleague and friend, William Leo (Bip) Hodges.

It is sad especially to learn of the passing of someone who has served in this chamber with honor and distinction. Therefore, it is with our deepest sorrow that we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Senator Bip Hodges, who passed away on August 12, 1974.

At the time of his untimely passing, Senator Hodges was embroiled in the fight he loved best - a bruising political contest where he could exercise his great skills as a leader in his community. But more importantly than just being a leader in his community, Bip Hodges, as the Governor of Maryland, Marvin Mandel, astutely observed, was uniquely Baltimore and perfectly suited to represent the constituency he served so long and so well.

In 1950, he won election to the House of Delegates, staying for two terms before running for City Council in 1959. After three years on the Council, he decided to seek a seat in this Senate Chamber. After a tumultuous election campaign, he was elected. Throughout the 1960's, his talent was well recognized by his constituency and he won re-election easily. His people knew him as the Champion of the Little People, a man who helped his fellow man and who stood firm in defense of his beliefs with the tenacity that earned the respect of