

NEWS from State Senator Tim Golden

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SENATOR TIM GOLDEN NAMED OUTSTANDING PUBLIC OFFICIAL FOR 2004

Valdosta, GA -- State Senator Tim Golden (D-Valdosta) was named the 2004 recipient of the Loyce M. Turner Public Official of the Year for 2004 by the Public Administration Department at Valdosta State University (VSU).

“I am particularly honored to be the recipient of the Loyce Turner award as I have great respect for this outstanding family,” said Golden.

Senator Golden is serving in his third term in the State Senate representing the 8th Senatorial District, and he recently announced his intention to seek a fourth term. Prior to his election to the Senate, Golden served for eight years as a member of the Georgia House of Representatives. He has served as a member of the Higher Education Committees in both the House and Senate during that time at the State Capitol.

“In addition, as an alumnus of Valdosta State University, and an ardent supporter of VSU at the state level, I am thrilled to be once again honored by this outstanding institution which means so much to Valdosta and South Georgia,” said Golden. Golden was honored in 1993 as the institutions “Distinguished Alumnus” that year.

Nolan Argyle, Head of the VSU MPA Program, said of Senator Golden, “Your record of dedicated and distinguished public service provides inspiration for all who work in the public and non-governmental sectors. Your career in public service clearly reflects the Jeffersonian ideal and serves as a role model for those just beginning or those contemplating careers in public service.”

Senator Golden, along with Loyce Turner, led the successful fight in 1993 to make VSU a regional University. During Senator Golden’s distinguished fourteen year legislative career, he has secured over \$80 million in capital construction projects at VSU including the current \$5 million renovation at Nevins Hall. He helped dedicate the \$14 million Library project last year.

Senator Golden is a member of the powerful Senate Appropriations and the influential Insurance & Labor Committees. He also serves on the Senate Higher Education and Science & Technology Committees, and is Vice Chairman of the Interstate Cooperation Committee.

He is married to the former Ellen Stewart, a lawyer in the firm of Clyatt, Clyatt & Golden. They have a seven year old son, Seth. Golden is owner of the mortgage brokerage firm, Beacon Hill Financial, located in Valdosta.

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