



Commendation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

WHEREAS, Ricky Oates began his employment with the City of Prattville on September 14, 1972; and

WHEREAS, he was hired as an Equipment Operator and has been assigned to the Sanitation Department, Landfill, Transfer Station, and Street Department; and

WHEREAS, Ricky has been described as a "hard-working, dependable employee, who is an asset to the City of Prattville"; and

WHEREAS, he has numerous commendations acknowledging his job performance, over his forty year tenure with the City of Prattville. In a letter to the Mayor from 2004, a local citizen stated that Mr. Oates was skilled, thorough, and genial in clearing stacks of tree remnants along Highway 31 near the entrance of Heritage Hills Drive. He further stated that Mr. Oates and his crew worked days after Hurricane Ivan and that they were instrumental in returning his neighborhood back to normal. Another citizen praised Mr. Oates in 2001 following flood damage to his home; stating that Mr. Oates worked diligently in the dark, rain, and cold to remove a cross-tie that had become lodged in the drainage pipes; and

WHEREAS, during his employment, Ricky has worked under five different administrators, Mayor C. M. Gray, Mayor Gray Price, Mayor David Whetstone, Mayor Jim Byard, Jr., and Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.

WHEREAS, Ricky has maintained the maximum accrued leave time available in Vacation and Sick Leave as he has rarely taken time off; and

WHEREAS, the City of Prattville has been well served by Mr. Ricky Oates for the past forty years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Gillespie, Jr., Mayor of the City of Prattville, Alabama, do hereby commend and congratulate

Ricky Oates

for his service to the City of Prattville and thank him for his dedication to public service.



Given under My Hand and the Seal of the City of
Prattville on the 14th day of September 2012.


Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.