

## THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER**

## BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS:

Unadilla City Councilmen, Dexter Eugene Whitaker, Jeffrey D. Minor, Tony Lamar Lester, and Bobby G. West were indicted on July 12, 2008, on counts of Theft by Taking, Violation of Oath by Public Officer, Violation of the Georgia Open Meetings Act and, for Councilman Whitaker alone, Conspiracy to Defraud a Political Subdivision; and

WHEREAS:

The indictment was transmitted to the Governor pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 45-5-6(b), and the certified copy was received on July 17, 2008; and

WHEREAS:

The 14-day period following the receipt of the indictment as prescribed by O.C.G.A. § 45-5-6(e) has passed.

Now, Therefore, By Virtue of the Authority Vested In Me As Governor of the State of Georgia, It Is Hereby

**ORDERED:** 

That Attorney General Thurbert Baker; Councilwoman Eloise Paschal of Americus; and Councilman Jerry Turner of Alma; are hereby appointed as the review commission to determine whether the indictment relates to and adversely affects the administration of the office of City Councilperson by Messrs. Whitaker, Minor, Lester, and West such that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected thereby and to make a written report to me within 14 days with a recommendation as to whether said councilmen should be suspended from office as required by O.C.G.A. §45-5-6(e).

This 13th day of August 2008.

Jonny Ferdere
GOVERNOR