To the Class of 2020,

I would like to begin by congratulating you on your graduation. Finishing high school, in the midst of a health crisis nonetheless, is no small accomplishment and calls for celebration. This moment marks a culmination of years of hard work, determination and perseverance, but it also marks a beginning of a new chapter in your life. In these challenging times, don't forget the lessons you've learned and that persistence coupled with a positive attitude and smile will lead to success.

Now I know this is not how you expected your senior year to end, and it may seem like things have been left unfinished. You expected a series of “lasts,” whether it was spring sports, going to prom or walking across the stage to receive your diploma. Despite understandable disappointment, I hope you will focus on the good times you've had with your classmates. A class that will always be remembered for its resilience in the face of a pandemic.

As you take on new challenges, I am confident you will continue to see much success. You, the Class of 2020, are Georgia's future. You will become educators, aircraft mechanics, farmers, software engineers, healthcare professionals, accountants, and yes even elected officials. You will go on to do great things, and I look forward to seeing all that you accomplish.

I am proud of you! Please let me know if I can be of assistance.

God Bless,

Larry

State Senate
Senator Larry Walker