

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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**Simple
Resolution
Adopted**

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1202
Adopted 5/28/97

Sponsors: Representatives Weatherly; Clary and Dedmon.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House.

May 5, 1997

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF J.
2 HAYWOOD ALLEN, SR., FORMER SHERIFF OF CLEVELAND COUNTY.

3 Whereas, J. Haywood Allen, Sr. was born in Rutherford County to Irwin M.
4 Allen and Maude Weathers Allen; and

5 Whereas, J. Haywood Allen, Sr. lived most of his life in the Town of Shelby in
6 Cleveland County; and

7 Whereas, in 1951, J. Haywood Allen, Sr. became sheriff of Cleveland County,
8 following in the footsteps of his father who had also been sheriff of Cleveland County;
9 and

10 Whereas, Sheriff Haywood Allen was elected as sheriff for eight terms,
11 winning his last election with 62% of the vote; and

12 Whereas, over a span of almost 30 years, Sheriff Allen saw his office expand
13 from one deputy to 80 deputies; and

14 Whereas, Sheriff Allen was known for his honesty, fairness, and
15 professionalism; and

16 Whereas, Sheriff Allen served as president of the North Carolina Sheriffs'
17 Association, Inc., and received national recognition for his service to law enforcement;
18 and

19 Whereas, Sheriff Allen retired from his position on December 15, 1980; and

1 Whereas, J. Haywood Allen, Sr. was active in community affairs, serving as a
2 faithful member of the First Baptist Church in Shelby and as a charter member of both
3 the Kings Mountain Lions Club and the Shelby Optimist Club; and

4 Whereas, J. Haywood Allen, Sr., after a life of distinction and public service,
5 died on December 25, 1996, at the age of 80; and

6 Whereas, J. Haywood Allen, Sr. is survived by his wife, Majel Stewart Allen; a
7 son, John Haywood Allen, Jr.; two daughters, Kathryn Monroe and Jonanna Robbs; two
8 grandchildren; and several other relatives and friends; and

9 Whereas, J. Haywood Allen, Sr.'s service to his profession and community was
10 exemplary and deserves recognition; and

11 Whereas, the House of Representatives wishes to honor the memory of J.
12 Haywood Allen, Sr. and recognize his many years of public service to the citizens of
13 Cleveland County; Now, therefore,

14 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

15 Section 1. The House of Representatives honors the memory of J. Haywood
16 Allen, Sr. and expresses the gratitude and appreciation of this State and its citizens for his
17 life and devoted service.

18 Section 2. The House of Representatives extends its deepest sympathy to the
19 family of J. Haywood Allen, Sr. for their loss.

20 Section 3. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution
21 to the family of J. Haywood Allen, Sr.

22 Section 4. This resolution is effective upon adoption.