GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1991 SESSION RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 25 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 964

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF CLAUDE KITCHIN JOSEY, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey was born in Scotland Neck on September 6,

1923, to Robert Carey Josey, Jr. and the former Anna Kitchin; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey attended Wake Forest College from 1941 to 1942, and received a BS degree from the United States Military Academy in 1945 and a JD degree from the Duke University School of Law in 1956; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1945 to 1953, where he achieved the rank of captain and was awarded the

Purple Heart and the Distinguished Service Cross; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey served as an assistant solicitor of the Superior Court of Guilford County from 1958 to 1959; was a partner in the law firm of Douglas, Ravenel, Josey, and Hardy from 1959 to 1966; and practiced law in Enfield in the firm of Hux, Branch and Josey before establishing an office in Scotland Neck; and

Whereas, at the time of his death, Claude Kitchin Josey was a senior partner in the firm of Josey, Josey and Hanudel with offices in Scotland Neck and Roanoke Rapids;

and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey held a number of offices in several professional organizations, including President of the Halifax County Bar Association, President of the Sixth Judicial District Bar Association, and Chair of the Sixth Judicial District Board of Law Examiners; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey was a member of the North Carolina Bar

Association and the American Bar Association; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey served with honor and distinction in the North Carolina House of Representatives during the 1971 and 1973 Sessions of the General

Assembly, and served as Speaker Pro Tempore during the 1975 Session; and

Whereas, while a member of the House of Representatives, Claude Kitchin Josey served on a number of committees, including Constitutional Amendments as Chair, Public Education, Highway Safety, Judiciary, Alcoholic Beverage Control, State Government Reorganization, Appropriations, Finance, Courts and Judicial Districts, and Congressional Reapportionment; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey served as Chair of the Democratic Executive Committee of Guilford County and was appointed to the Local Government Commission

in 1977; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey was a well respected member of his community, serving as a member of the Board of Trustees of Halifax County Community College, and as a member of the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest University and the Wake Forest Athletic Council; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey was a member of the First Baptist Church of

Scotland Neck; and

Whereas, Claude Kitchin Josey is survived by his wife, Roberta Linnell Bruce Josey, his children, Roberta Josey Kemp, Claude Kitchin Josey, Jr., and Robert Bruce Josey, and several grandchildren; and

Whereas, the General Assembly wishes to honor the memory of Claude Kitchin Josey and recognize his many years of public service to the people of this State and of the United States;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

Section 1. The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Claude Kitchin Josey and expresses the deep gratitude and appreciation of this State for his life and service.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly extends its deepest sympathy to the family of

Claude Kitchin Josey for the loss of its distinguished member.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Claude Kitchin Josey.

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 12th day of July, 1991.

> James C. Gardner President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives