

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 1999
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 13
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 150

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF L.W. LOCKE,
FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Whereas, L.W. Locke was born in Enfield, North Carolina on November 25, 1934, to Lorenza Locke and Anna Harper Locke; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke graduated from Enfield High School in 1952 and North Carolina State University in 1956, receiving a B.S. degree in Agricultural Engineering; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke married Charlotte E. Cooper on December 22, 1956, and was the father of three daughters, Beverly, Phyllis and Audrey; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army from 1957 to 1964 and also served as a reserve in the North Carolina National Guard; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke was successful in business, serving as President and CEO of Eastern Petroleum Corporation for over 40 years and as Secretary/Treasurer and Co-Owner of New Dixie Oil Corporation; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke donated his time and expertise to his profession and community by serving in numerous organizations, including the North Carolina LP-Gas Association, North Carolina Petroleum Marketers Association, the Halifax-Roanoke LP Gas Association, Enfield Lions Club, North Carolina State University Alumni Association, Enfield Chamber of Commerce, Enfield Development Corporation, and the Enfield Optimist Club; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke was a member of several boards and commissions, often serving in leadership roles, including the North Carolina Petroleum Marketers Association, the Petroleum Marketers Education Foundation, the Petroleum Marketers Association of America, the Executive and EPA and OSHA Task Force Committees of the National Oil Jobbers Council, Centura Bank Local Board, Enfield Savings Bank, Halifax Memorial Hospital, Enfield Red Cross Board, Enfield Educational Foundation, Enfield Academy, the Advisory Board at Meredith College, and North Carolina State University's Athletic Council; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke was named the Outstanding Young Man of America in 1972 and was awarded the Phillips Petroleum Company's Mr. Phil Service Award in 1968 and the North Carolina Petroleum Marketers Association's William A. Parker Memorial Service Award in 1982; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke served with honor and distinction in the North Carolina House of Representatives during the 1995-96 Session of the General Assembly; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke was a devoted and active member of the Enfield United Methodist Church, serving as Chair of the Board of Trustees and the Parsonage Building Fund, and as a member of the Finance Committee; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke died on May 22, 1998, bringing an end to his long and constructive life; and

Whereas, L.W. Locke is survived by his wife, Charlotte, their daughters, and eight grandchildren; and

Whereas, it is the desire of the General Assembly to take note of L.W. Locke's achievements and pay tribute to his life and service rendered; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

Section 1. The General Assembly honors the life and memory of L.W. Locke and expresses appreciation for the service he rendered to his community, the State of North Carolina, and the United States.

Section 2. The General Assembly expresses its deepest sympathy to the family of L.W. Locke for the loss of a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend.

Section 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of L.W. Locke.

Section 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of June, 1999.

Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives