## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **SESSION 2005** RATIFIED BILL

## **RESOLUTION 2005-27 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 989**

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDERS OF HUDSON ON THE TOWN'S  $100^{\mathrm{TH}}$  ANNIVERSARY.

Whereas, the area now known as Hudson was settled in the late 1800s by people of Scottish and Scotch-Irish, German, and English descent; and

Whereas, until 1889, the area was known as Hudsonville; and

Whereas, the area was named for two local brothers, Monroe and Johnnie Hudson, who were lumber producers and merchants; and

Whereas, the Sardis Baptist Church, originally organized as the Gunpowder Baptist Church, was established in 1831; and

Whereas, the Lingle School served as Hudson's first school in 1870, and the Mt. View Academy was established in 1893; and

Whereas, during the 1880s, Monroe and Johnnie Hudson operated Hudson's Post Office; and

Whereas, the Town of Hudson was incorporated on March 1, 1905; and

Whereas, the Town's first officers included Mayor E.B. Phillips, and Commissioners John N. Lingle, Barney B. Hayes, P.M. Throneburg, E.T. Hickman, and T.I. Lutz; and

Whereas, a number of lumber and textile industries contributed to the growth of Hudson, including the Hudson Cotton Mill, Throneburg Lumber Company, Caldwell Cotton Mill, and Shuford Mills; and

Whereas, some of Hudson's notable citizens have included R. Barton Hayes, business and civic leader; Jan Karon, novelist; Richard Curtis, journalist; and Bob McRary, professional athlete; and

Whereas, the residents of Hudson have worked to preserve their history, recently converting the former Hudson Elementary School into the Hudson Uptown

Building, which serves as a civic center for community activities; and Whereas, Hudson has an abundance of public parks, which are used by more than 2,000 area children participating in the Town's recreation programs; and

Whereas, Hudson had a population of 300 residents in 1905 and more than 3,000 residents according to the 2000 census; and Whereas, the year 2005 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Town of Hudson;

and

Whereas, this occasion is worthy of celebration and should be enjoyed and supported by all North Carolinians; Now, therefore,

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

**SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the founders of the Town of Hudson for their contributions to North Carolina.

**SECTION 2.** The General Assembly congratulates the Town of Hudson on its 100th Anniversary and encourages the people of this State to join the citizens of Hudson in celebrating this historic occasion.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor of the Town of Hudson.

**SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of May,

2005.

Beverly E. Perdue President of the Senate

Richard T. Morgan Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives

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