

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2007**  
**RATIFIED BILL**

**RESOLUTION 2007-46**  
**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 192**

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF GARY M. CLARK, FORMER SHERIFF OF CALDWELL COUNTY.

Whereas, Gary M. Clark began a career in law enforcement in 1980, when he joined the Lenoir Police Department; and

Whereas, Gary M. Clark was elected as Sheriff of Caldwell County in 2002 and reelected in 2006; and

Whereas, Gary M. Clark was very diligent in his role as sheriff and worked extremely hard to enforce the law and protect the citizens of Caldwell County; and

Whereas, Sheriff Clark was successful in combating illegal drug activity in Caldwell County and was responsible for reducing the number of methamphetamine labs in the County; and

Whereas, Sheriff Clark held regular town hall meetings and, prior to his death, was in the process of establishing a Citizens Advisory Council that would have allowed citizens the opportunity to notify the Sheriff of problems in their neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Sheriff Clark was concerned about the welfare of children in his community and helped to found a mentor program known as the South Caldwell Alliance for Youth Program; and

Whereas, Sheriff Clark was an outstanding role model who was admired and respected by the men and women who served with him; and

Whereas, Sheriff Clark was a deeply religious man who was always willing to share his beliefs with others; and

Whereas, Sheriff Clark died on February 2, 2007, only a few weeks into his second term as sheriff; and

Whereas, Sheriff Clark is survived by his wife, Kim; daughters, Megan and Michelle; parents, Stanley and Norma Clark; and brother, Alan Clark; Now, therefore,

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

**SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Sheriff Gary M. Clark and expresses its appreciation for his service to the people of Caldwell County.

**SECTION 2.** The General Assembly extends its deepest sympathy to the family of Sheriff Gary M. Clark for the loss of a beloved family member.

**SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Sheriff Gary M. Clark.

**SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.  
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
June, 2007.

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Beverly E. Perdue  
President of the Senate

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Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives