

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1985 SESSION
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 51
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 953

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF SANKEY WRIGHT ROBINSON.

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was born in Columbus County, the son of Jimsey Lewis and Mary Ann Britt Robinson; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was a graduate of Evergreen High School and Wake Forest University and received his law degree from the Wake Forest School of Law in 1951; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson then established a law office in Whiteville, where he worked for 35 years; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson became interested in politics in early life; he worked actively on all levels of Young Democrats and served a term as vice president of the North Carolina Young Democrats; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was an ardent believer and worker in the Democratic party; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson served in 1969 as State Senator from Columbus, Bladen, and Brunswick Counties; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was a former member of the Board of Trustees of Pembroke State University for 12 years and served as its chairman during that period; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson also was Columbus County Solicitor for a number of years and served a four-year term as Columbus County Recorder; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson served as County Attorney for Columbus County; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson served as a member of the Board of Education for the City of Whiteville; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was a member of the Whiteville First Baptist Church and served actively as a deacon and Sunday School teacher for many years; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson served a term as Moderator of the Columbus Baptist Association and was an active member of the Whiteville First Baptist Church board of trustees at the time of his death; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was active in community affairs: a Thirty-second Degree Mason and a Shriner; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was a long-time member of the Whiteville Lions Club, was a past president of the club, and served as a District Governor of Lions International; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson died May 30, 1986, leaving his wife, Elizabeth Wiseman Robinson, and his daughter, Beth Robinson, of the home; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was a family man and a true Christian; and

Whereas, Sankey Wright Robinson was a member of the Commission on Criminal Justice Training and Standards, upon the nomination of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and election by the General Assembly, and at the time of his death he was in Raleigh addressing his fellow members of that Commission; and

Whereas, the General Assembly wishes to honor the memory of Sankey Wright Robinson and express its sympathy to his widow and his daughter;

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

Section 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina honors the memory of Sankey Wright Robinson and expresses its gratitude and appreciation for his life and service to his community and to North Carolina.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly expresses its deep sorrow to the family and friends of Sankey Wright Robinson for the loss of a beloved husband and father and a true friend.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Sankey Wright Robinson.

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 3rd day of July, 1986.