

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1989 SESSION
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 30
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1401

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF DR.
ELIZABETH DUNCAN KOONTZ.

Whereas, Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz honored the State of North Carolina and all its citizens by a life of outstanding service to its people and these United States; and

Whereas, Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz served as the first black President of the National Education Association, as the first black Director of the U.S. Department of Labor, Women's Bureau, and as Assistant Superintendent of the North Carolina Department of Instruction; and

Whereas, Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz was appointed by Presidents Johnson, Nixon, Ford, and Carter to serve on many important commissions where she represented the United States; and

Whereas, Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz was appointed by Governors Scott, Holshouser, and Hunt to serve in many capacities on behalf of the State of North Carolina; and

Whereas, Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz was held in the highest esteem by members of her chosen profession, teaching, so that they elected her to represent them throughout her more than 30 years of practice in the education communities of this State and Nation; and

Whereas, Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz continued throughout her life to work to assist working women in their quest to achieve equal pay and employment policies that would affect positively the life of women and their families; and

Whereas, no job was too small for Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz in support of the citizens of Salisbury and in particular her church and Livingstone College; and

Whereas, Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz strived continually to work with young persons and women to encourage them to develop themselves to their fullest potential;

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

Section 1. The General Assembly wishes to honor the life and memory of Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz and recognizes the importance of the contributions she made during her lifetime.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz and to the President of Livingstone College.

Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of July, 1989.

James C. Gardner
President of the Senate

J. L. Mavretic
Speaker of the House of Representatives