

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1991**

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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 956\***

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Sponsors: Senators Allran and Bryan.

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Referred to: Read and Placed on Calendar 6/20/91.

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June 18, 1991

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF JULIUS REID  
2 POOVEY, SR., FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr., son of Lloyd Willard Poovey and Nancy  
4 Thomas Reid Poovey, was born September 24, 1902, in Hickory; and

5 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. graduated from the Hickory City Schools,  
6 attended Weaver College, and was a commercial graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne College in  
7 1922; and

8 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. married Kathryn Icard on April 7, 1928;  
9 and

10 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. served in the Coast Guard Reserve from  
11 1944 to 1945; and

12 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was an accountant, and served as Justice of  
13 the Peace for 10 years in Hickory, as Judge Pro-Tem of the Municipal Court of Hickory  
14 for one year, and as a magistrate in Catawba County for 12 years; and

15 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was active in politics, serving on the  
16 Catawba County Board of Elections, the Board of Advisors of the North Carolina  
17 Federation of College Republicans, and a member of State, county, and precinct  
18 Republican Executive Committees; and

19 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. served the State with honor and distinction  
20 as a Representative in the 1967, 1977, 1979, 1981, and 1983 General Assemblies, and  
21 as a Senator in the 1969 and 1973 General Assemblies; and

22 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.'s election to the Senate of Representatives  
23 in 1966 made him the first Catawba County Republican elected to the Senate of

1 Representatives since 1928 and his election to the Senate in 1968 made him one of the  
2 first two Republicans elected to the Senate since Reconstruction; and

3       Whereas, during Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.'s service to the General Assembly,  
4 he had many committee assignments, including Appropriations, Elections Laws,  
5 Finance, Higher Education, Highway Safety, Insurance as vice-chair, Judiciary I as  
6 vice-chair, Mental Health, Military and Veterans Affairs, Personnel and Employment  
7 Programs, Public Health, State Government, Transportation, and Wildlife; and

8       Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was appointed to the Public Education  
9 Policy Council in 1983 and retired from the Senate of Representatives on December 31,  
10 1984; and

11       Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. also ran for Mayor of Hickory and Clerk of  
12 Superior Court of Catawba County; and

13       Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was nominated to the North Carolina  
14 Republican Hall of Fame by the Catawba County Republican Executive Committee in  
15 1987, and was a candidate for the Charles R. Jonas Award, presented annually to the  
16 one person in the State who, throughout a lifetime, made a significant contribution to  
17 the Republican Party; and

18       Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was active in the Hickory American Legion  
19 Post No. 48 and the Episcopal Church; and

20       Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. died unexpectedly on January 24, 1990; and

21       Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. is survived by a daughter, Nancy Yount,  
22 three sons, J. Reid Poovey, Jr., William B. Poovey, and James N. Poovey, and other  
23 relatives;

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

25       Section 1. The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Julius Reid  
26 Poovey, Sr. and expresses the deep gratitude and appreciation of this State and its  
27 citizens for his life and service to North Carolina.

28       Sec. 2. The General Assembly joins the family and friends of Julius Reid  
29 Poovey, Sr. in mourning the loss of one of the State's most respected citizens.

30       Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution  
31 to the family of Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.

32       Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.