

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1993 SESSION  
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 22  
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1497

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF HENRY  
MCMILLAN TYSON, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson, former member of the General Assembly, died on April 7, 1993, at the age of 78; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson was born in Cumberland County on October 31, 1914, to Henry Grady Tyson and Tommie Marsh Tyson; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson attended Gray's Creek School, earning and receiving his GED while in his sixties; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson lived and worked for all of his life in the Gray's Creek Community in Cumberland County; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson married Addie Amelia Williams on June 16, 1940, from which marriage three children were born: Carrie Eula Tyson, Henry MacMillan Tyson II, and John Marsh Tyson; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson gave freely of his time, energy, and talents to others, in virtually all aspects of community life; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson served with honor and distinction in the General Assembly as a member of the North Carolina House of Representatives for terms during the 1973, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1983, and 1985 Legislative Sessions; and

Whereas, prior to his retirement from the General Assembly, Henry McMillan Tyson served as a member of, and held numerous leadership roles in, the following committees: Aging, Agriculture, Alcohol Beverage Control, Appropriations, Congressional Redistricting, Conservation and Development, Education, Finance, Health, Insurance, Judiciary III, Local Government I and II, Manufacturers and Labor, Military and Veterans Affairs, Public Utilities, State Properties, Water and Air Resources; and

Whereas, in addition to his General Assembly service, in 1956, Henry McMillan Tyson was elected to the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners and served for 12 years, including seven years as Chair, during the latter years of which Cumberland County led the State of North Carolina in industrial, business, and military growth; and

Whereas, in the 1960s, Henry McMillan Tyson served on the Charter Board of Directors of the Scottish Bank and, after merger, as a Director of the First Union National Bank; he was also appointed Sales Supervisor for the Fayetteville Area Tobacco Market, and was commissioned an Admiral of the USS North Carolina, North Carolina Navy, by Governor Terry Sanford; and

Whereas, in 1990, Henry McMillan Tyson was nominated and named to "Who's Who in Agriculture"; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson's religious affiliation, civic participation, and other memberships included: Elder Emeritus and Chair of the Board of Deacons of First Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville and Sunday School teacher for its Fellowship Class; Fayetteville Kiwanis Club; Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, including serving as Chair of its Agribusiness Committee; Cumberland County Wildlife Association; Senior Citizens Roundtable; Cumberland County Soil Conservation Commission Charter member; Cumberland County Agriculture Advisory Council; North Carolina Farm Bureau life member; Cumberland County Livestock Association; Fayetteville Eastern

Star; President of Cumberland County Parent Teacher Association; President of Gray's Creek Ruritan Club; and President of John Huske Anderson Masonic Lodge; and

Whereas, Henry McMillan Tyson will be fondly remembered by all who knew him as a religious, warm, and giving man, devoted to family, community, and to public service;

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

Section 1. The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Henry McMillan Tyson, and expresses its appreciation for the service he rendered to his community, Cumberland County, and the State of North Carolina.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly extends its sympathy to the family and friends of Henry McMillan Tyson for the death of Henry McMillan Tyson, beloved family member and friend.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Henry McMillan Tyson.

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 20th day of July, 1993.

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Dennis A. Wicker  
President of the Senate

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Daniel Blue, Jr.  
Speaker of the House of Representatives