

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 987

Sponsors: Representatives Hurley; Black, J. Brown, Church, Culpepper, Hill, Holmes, Mercer, Oldham, Owens, Ramsey, Redwine, Richardson, Robinson, Rogers, Sutton, and Tolson.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

April 24, 1995

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF FORMER MEMBERS OF
2 THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE DEFENSE MILITIA AND RECOGNIZING
3 THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE DEFENSE MILITIA FOR ITS
4 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

5 Whereas, the Constitution and the General Statutes of the State of North
6 Carolina authorize the Governor to raise an organized militia from among the citizens of
7 the State; and

8 Whereas, the Governor, recognizing the need to provide for a cadre of
9 volunteers to serve the State of North Carolina in the event that the National Guard
10 should be called into federal service or a state of emergency or other State need occur,
11 reestablished the North Carolina State Defense Militia by Executive Order No. 60, dated
12 August 22, 1994, implementing the provisions of the Constitution of the State of North
13 Carolina and Chapter 127A of the General Statutes; and

14 Whereas, the disasters of Hurricane Hugo, the tornado in King, North
15 Carolina, the deployment of the national guard troops to the Persian Gulf, and the
16 coastal storms, proved the need for a trained organization of volunteers, such as the
17 members of the North Carolina State Defense Militia provided to augment the resources
18 of the State; and

19 Whereas, the volunteer members of the North Carolina State Defense Militia
20 have provided long and exemplary hours of assistance and service during critical times
21 in the history of the State; and

1 Whereas, the State is deeply indebted to former members of the North
2 Carolina State Defense Militia, many of whom volunteered during world wars and
3 during other periods of emergency; and

4 Whereas, it is only fitting that the General Assembly pay tribute to the North
5 Carolina State Defense Militia for its great service to the State;

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

7 Section 1. The General Assembly honors the memory of former citizen-
8 soldiers who volunteered for the North Carolina State Defense Militia.

9 Sec. 2. The General Assembly honors the efforts and assistance of the
10 members of the North Carolina State Defense Militia and expresses its appreciation for
11 the service that the members of the North Carolina State Defense Militia have rendered
12 to their respective communities, counties, and to the State of North Carolina. The
13 General Assembly further extends its desire that the North Carolina State Defense
14 Militia continue to provide services to the State, counties, cities, townships, and
15 communities in the highest traditions of volunteer citizen-soldiers.

16 Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution
17 to the Office of the Commanding General of the North Carolina State Defense Militia.

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