

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1995 SESSION
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 11
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 987

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 27th day of June, 1995.

Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker
Speaker of the House of Representatives