

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 919
Committee Substitute Favorable 5/8/91**

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 19, 1991

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF WILSON
2 FRANKLIN YARBOROUGH, SR., FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY.

4 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr., the youngest of Franklin C. and
5 Romelia Marsh Yarborough's eight children, was born in the Grays Creek area of
6 Cumberland County, on December 10, 1908; and

7 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. was educated in the Grays Creek
8 Schools and the Brevard School of Business; and

9 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. founded Yarborough Motor
10 Company in 1934; and

11 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. served with honor and distinction
12 in the North Carolina House of Representatives during the 1955 and 1957 Sessions; and

13 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. donated his time and expertise to
14 his profession and community through service on various boards and organizations,
15 including the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association, as president, the
16 Fayetteville New Car and Truck Dealers Association, as its first president, the Guaranty
17 Savings and Loan Association, as president, the First Union National Bank of
18 Fayetteville, as chairman of the board of directors, the Mid-South Insurance Company,
19 as vice-president, and the Business Development Corporation of North Carolina, as
20 vice-president; and

21 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. was active throughout his life in
22 the City of Fayetteville's civic affairs, serving as trustee and treasurer of Methodist

1 College, as chairman of the Fayetteville Auditorium-Exhibit Hall Commission, as
2 director and past president of the Fayetteville Area Chamber of Commerce, as vice-
3 president of the Fayetteville YMCA, and as a member of the Fayetteville City Council;
4 and

5 Whereas, admired by members of his community and profession, Wilson
6 Franklin Yarborough, Sr. received the "Man of the Year" award in 1967, given by the
7 Board of Realtors and Fayetteville Area Chamber of Commerce, and was a two-time
8 recipient of the Benjamin Franklin Quality Dealer Award given by The Saturday
9 Evening Post for the most Outstanding Franchised Automobile Dealer in North
10 Carolina; and

11 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. for his outstanding contribution to
12 higher education was conferred in 1983 an honorary Doctor of Letters Degree from
13 Methodist College; and

14 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. was dedicated to the Methodist
15 church, serving as a charter member of the Haymount Methodist Church and chairman
16 of the board of stewards; and

17 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. was a member and past president
18 of the Fayetteville Rotary Club, a Mason, and a Shriner; and

19 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. died on June 24, 1989; and

20 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. is survived by his wife, Mary
21 Butler Yarborough, and his sons, Wilson F. Yarborough, Jr., Ramon L. Yarborough,
22 and David B. Yarborough; and

23 Whereas, Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. will be remembered for his
24 kindness, his devotion to his family and church, and his public service to his community
25 and State;

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

27 Section 1. The General Assembly wishes to honor the life and memory of
28 Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr. and expresses its appreciation for his great deeds and
29 public service.

30 Sec. 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution
31 to the family of Wilson Franklin Yarborough, Sr.

32 Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.