

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 989

Sponsors: Representatives Starnes and Frye (Primary Sponsors).

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

March 30, 2005

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDERS OF HUDSON ON THE
2 TOWN'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY.

3 Whereas, the area now known as Hudson was settled in the late 1800s by
4 people of Scottish and Scotch-Irish, German, and English descent; and

5 Whereas, until 1889, the area was known as Hudsonville; and

6 Whereas, the area was named for two local brothers, Monroe and Johnnie
7 Hudson, who were lumber producers and merchants; and

8 Whereas, the Sardis Baptist Church, originally organized as the Gunpowder
9 Baptist Church, was established in 1831; and

10 Whereas, the Lingle School served as Hudson's first school in 1870, and the
11 Mt. View Academy was established in 1893; and

12 Whereas, during the 1880s, Monroe and Johnnie Hudson operated Hudson's
13 Post Office; and

14 Whereas, the Town of Hudson was incorporated on March 1, 1905; and

15 Whereas, the Town's first officers included Mayor E.B. Phillips, and
16 Commissioners John N. Lingle, Barney B. Hayes, P.M. Throneburg, E.T. Hickman, and
17 T.I. Lutz; and

18 Whereas, a number of lumber and textile industries contributed to the growth
19 of Hudson, including the Hudson Cotton Mill, Throneburg Lumber Company, Caldwell
20 Cotton Mill, and Shuford Mills; and

21 Whereas, some of Hudson's notable citizens have included R. Barton Hayes,
22 business and civic leader; Jan Karon, novelist; Richard Curtis, journalist; and Bob
23 McRary, professional athlete; and

24 Whereas, the residents of Hudson have worked to preserve their history,
25 recently converting the former Hudson Elementary School into the Hudson Uptown
26 Building, which serves as a civic center for community activities; and

27 Whereas, Hudson has an abundance of public parks, which are used by more
28 than 2,000 area children participating in the Town's recreation programs; and

29 Whereas, Hudson had a population of 300 residents in 1905 and more than
30 3,000 residents according to the 2000 census; and

1 Whereas, the year 2005 marks the 100th Anniversary of the Town of Hudson;
2 and

3 Whereas, this occasion is worthy of celebration and should be enjoyed and
4 supported by all North Carolinians; Now, therefore,

5 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

6 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the founders of the Town of
7 Hudson for their contributions to North Carolina.

8 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly congratulates the Town of Hudson on
9 its 100th Anniversary and encourages the people of this State to join the citizens of
10 Hudson in celebrating this historic occasion.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
12 resolution to the Mayor of the Town of Hudson.

13 **SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.