

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1299*

Sponsors: Representatives Isenhower and Huffman.

Referred to: Rules, Appointments and Calendar.

June 10, 1991

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF JULIUS REID
2 POOVEY, SR., FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr., son of Lloyd Willard Poovey and Nancy
4 Thomas Reid Poovey, was born September 24, 1902, in Hickory; and

5 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. graduated from the Hickory City Schools,
6 attended Weaver College, and was a commercial graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne College in
7 1922; and

8 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. married Kathryn Icard on April 7, 1928;
9 and

10 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. served in the Coast Guard Reserve from
11 1944 to 1945; and

12 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was an accountant, and served as Justice of
13 the Peace for 10 years in Hickory, as Judge Pro-Tem of the Municipal Court of Hickory
14 for one year, and as a magistrate in Catawba County for 12 years; and

15 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was active in politics, serving on the
16 Catawba County Board of Elections, the Board of Advisors of the North Carolina
17 Federation of College Republicans, and a member of State, county, and precinct
18 Republican Executive Committees; and

19 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. served the State with honor and distinction
20 as a Representative in the 1967, 1977, 1979, 1981, and 1983 General Assemblies, and
21 as a Senator in the 1969 and 1973 General Assemblies; and

22 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.'s election to the House of Representatives
23 in 1966 made him the first Catawba County Republican elected to the House of

1 Representatives since 1928 and his election to the Senate in 1968 made him one of the
2 first two Republicans elected to the Senate since Reconstruction; and

3 Whereas, during Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.'s service to the General Assembly,
4 he had many committee assignments, including Appropriations, Elections Laws,
5 Finance, Higher Education, Highway Safety, Insurance as vice-chair, Judiciary I as
6 vice-chair, Mental Health, Military and Veterans Affairs, Personnel and Employment
7 Programs, Public Health, State Government, Transportation, and Wildlife; and

8 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was appointed to the Public Education
9 Policy Council in 1983 and retired from the House of Representatives on December 31,
10 1984; and

11 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. also ran for Mayor of Hickory and Clerk of
12 Superior Court of Catawba County; and

13 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was nominated to the North Carolina
14 Republican Hall of Fame by the Catawba County Republican Executive Committee in
15 1987, and was a candidate for the Charles R. Jonas Award, presented annually to the
16 one person in the State who, throughout a lifetime, made a significant contribution to
17 the Republican Party; and

18 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was active in the Hickory American Legion
19 Post No. 48 and the Episcopal Church; and

20 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. died unexpectedly on January 24, 1990; and

21 Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. is survived by a daughter, Nancy Yount,
22 three sons, J. Reid Poovey, Jr., William B. Poovey, and James N. Poovey, and other
23 relatives;

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

25 Section 1. The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Julius Reid
26 Poovey, Sr. and expresses the deep gratitude and appreciation of this State and its
27 citizens for his life and service to North Carolina.

28 Sec. 2. The General Assembly joins the family and friends of Julius Reid
29 Poovey, Sr. in mourning the loss of one of the State's most respected citizens.

30 Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution
31 to the family of Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.

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