GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1686

Sponsors: Representatives Grady; Ethridge and Smith.

Referred to: Rules, Appointments and Calendar.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE ON BEING NAMED AN ALL AMERICA CITY.

Whereas, the City of Jacksonville was founded in the 1840s and has been the home to the United States Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune for almost 50 years; and

Whereas, the citizens of the City of Jacksonville exemplify the American tradition of people working together successfully to improve the quality of life in their community; and

Whereas, the City of Jacksonville and Camp Lejeune have a unique relationship of cooperation between them; and

Whereas, recently, the National Civic League presented the City of Jacksonville with the All America City Award sponsored by the Allstate Foundation; and

Whereas, 1992 marks the second consecutive year that the City of Jacksonville was named a finalist for the All America City Award, which recognizes excellence in local efforts to strengthen the civic infrastructure of America's communities; and

Whereas, to merit the All America City Award, the City of Jacksonville presented some significant accomplishments its citizens achieved through the Caring Community Committee, the Civic Affairs Committee, and various organizations addressing economic diversification; and

Whereas, the Caring Community Committee, which was spontaneously formed to meet the needs of family members of those deployed during the Persian Gulf

War, sponsored such projects as the Daddy's Away Program and Project Transition for military personnel separating from the military; and

Whereas, the Civic Affairs Committee was originally formed to see how the city measured up against the National Civic League's Civic Index but has served as a catalyst for getting citizens to actively participate in their community; the committee has helped to establish the Boys and Girls Club of Onslow County and has helped with many other projects; and

Whereas, the Committee of 100 and other organizations have addressed the city's needs to diversify its economy and has helped to accelerate the industrial recruitment program, to attract three new industries, to fund a Strategic Planning Initiative, and to expand the Skills Training Center; and

Whereas, the volunteer spirit of the citizens of the City of Jacksonville has helped to distinguish the City of Jacksonville as an All America City and such an honor deserves recognition by the General Assembly;

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

Section 1. The General Assembly wishes to honor the City of Jacksonville and its citizens for receiving the National Civic League's All America City Award and wishes to extend its congratulations to the City of Jacksonville and to its citizens for bringing national recognition to the State of North Carolina.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor of the City of Jacksonville.

Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.