

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1995 SESSION
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 4
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 236

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF SENATOR
JOHN BONNELL CODINGTON, MD.

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington was born in Wilmington, North Carolina on October 27, 1925, to Herbert A. Codington and Jessie Peck Codington; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington graduated from Davidson College in 1949, and from the University of Maryland School of Medicine in 1953; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington spent most of his life in his native Wilmington and contributed greatly to the quality of its life; and

Whereas, until his retirement in 1990, Dr. John Bonnell Codington practiced general surgery for 32 years at James Walker, New Hanover, and Cape Fear Memorial hospitals; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington was active throughout his life in civic and community affairs, serving as a member of the New Hanover County Board of Education, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, and as a member of the Board of Trustees of Champion McDowell Davis Charitable Foundation; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington was elected to the State Senate in 1993, where he served on several committees including the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Children and Human Resources, Insurance, Judiciary I, and Ways and Means; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington was a veteran of World War II, serving his country from 1943 to 1946; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington was awarded the Civil Rights Award in 1983, and was honored as Professor of the Year in 1985; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington was a life-long member of the First Presbyterian Church, where he served as ruling elder; and

Whereas, for more than 15 years, Dr. John Bonnell Codington gave freely of his time and energy as a medical missionary in Leogane, Haiti, treating the sick and teaching surgical techniques to local doctors; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington, citizen of North Carolina, died on March 1, 1994, bringing to an end his meaningful and illustrative life; and

Whereas, Dr. John Bonnell Codington is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Carter Codington; his daughters, Elizabeth Codington Reid and Anne Codington Autrey; his son, John Bonnell Codington, Jr.; and five grandchildren; and

Whereas, it is the desire of the General Assembly to duly recognize Dr. John Bonnell Codington's service and pay tribute to his life;

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

Section 1. The General Assembly honors the memory of Dr. John Bonnell Codington and expresses the gratitude and appreciation of this State and its citizens for his life and service to his community and to North Carolina.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly expresses its deepest sorrow to the family and friends of Dr. John Bonnell Codington for the loss of a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and a true friend.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. John Bonnell Codington.

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 22nd day of March, 1995.

Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker
Speaker of the House of Representatives