

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 2013-5
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 36

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF JOE H. HEGE, JR.,
FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. was born in Lexington, North Carolina, on January 28, 1926, to Joe H. Hege, Sr. and Ellen J. Hilliard Hege; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. graduated from Pilot High School in 1943, and received a police administration certificate from the Institute of Government at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He furthered his education at Oklahoma University in 1975; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. served in the United States Army from 1944 to 1946 and was awarded the European-African-Middle East Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, the Good Conduct Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, and the Army Occupation Medal; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. was a devoted member of the Pilgrim Reformed United Church of Christ in Lexington, where he served as president, treasurer, and chair of the Audit Committee, as chair of the Cemetery Committee, and as an elder, deacon, and Sunday school teacher; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr.'s career included serving as a Veterans Service Officer for Davidson County from 1948 to 1950, as Vice-President of Siceloff Manufacturing Company, and as realtor for National Realty; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. was the Assistant Director of Services for the Blind in Governor Jim Holshouser's administration from 1973 to 1977; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. served 18 years as a member of the House of Representatives during the 1967, 1969, 1971, 1973, 1981, 1985, 1987, 1989, and 1991 sessions of the General Assembly; and

Whereas, during his tenure in the General Assembly, Representative Hege served as Minority Whip during the 1969 Session and served on numerous committees, including Appropriations, Commerce, Economic Growth, Education, Election Laws, Ethics, Finance, Legislative and Local Redistricting, Local and Regional Government I, and Public Utilities; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. served as Sheriff of Davidson County from 1969 to 1970; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. was a member of several civic, fraternal, and professional organizations, including the Lexington Board of Realtors, Amvets, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Kiwanis, Lions International, and American Legion; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. died on February 14, 2011, at the age of 85; and

Whereas, Joe H. Hege, Jr. is survived by his wife, Jane Owen Hege; three children, Joe III, Karen, and Edwin; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson; Now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. The General Assembly honors the memory of former Representative Joe H. Hege, Jr. and expresses the appreciation of this State and its citizens for the service he rendered to his community, this State, and our nation.

SECTION 2. The General Assembly extends its sympathy to the family of Joe H. Hege, Jr. for the loss of a beloved family member.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Joe H. Hege, Jr.



SECTION 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 27th day of February,
2013.

s/ Daniel J. Forest
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives