

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2009**

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1459*

Sponsors: Senator Purcell.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

June 29, 2010

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
2 ALBEMARLE ELECTRIC SYSTEM.

3 Whereas, on July 27, 1909, the citizens of the City of Albemarle voted in favor of a
4 \$10,000 electric light bond referendum; and

5 Whereas, on March 1, 1910, dedicated leaders of the City of Albemarle, including
6 Mayor I. B. Miller and Board of City Commissioners L. A. Moody, F. E. Starnes, R. A.
7 Crowell, J. A. Groves, and F. V. Watkins, awarded a construction contract for an electric
8 system; and

9 Whereas, by March 18, 1910, the City of Albemarle had approved a contract with
10 Southern Power Company for electric power; and

11 Whereas, on January 20, 1938, the City of Albemarle approved a contract with
12 Duke Power Company for purchase of electric power; and

13 Whereas, in 1978, Duke Power Company sold 75% of its interest in Catawba
14 Nuclear Station to the City of Albemarle and 18 other municipalities, allowing for the creation
15 of the North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1, which provides power to all of the
16 participants; and

17 Whereas, in 2007, Albemarle received American Public Power Association Reliable
18 Public Power Provider Gold Designation and two years later received the American Public
19 Power Association Reliable Public Power Provider Platinum Designation; and

20 Whereas, the City of Albemarle currently provides reliable and efficient electric
21 service to more than 11,000 customers; and

22 Whereas, the Albemarle Electric System's 100th anniversary is worthy of
23 recognition; Now, therefore,

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

25 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly extends its congratulations to the Albemarle
26 Electric System on its 100th anniversary.

27 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly honors the memory of those who were
28 instrumental in establishing the Albemarle Electric System in 1910.

29 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
30 resolution to Mayor Elbert L. "Whit" Whitley, Jr.

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

