

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION DRSJR55071-LG-83 (02/05)

Sponsors: Senator Jacumin.

Referred to:

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF GARY M.
2 CLARK, FORMER SHERIFF OF CALDWELL COUNTY.

3 Whereas, Gary M. Clark began a career in law enforcement in 1980, when he
4 joined the Lenoir Police Department; and

5 Whereas, Gary M. Clark was elected as Sheriff of Caldwell County in 2002
6 and reelected in 2006; and

7 Whereas, Gary M. Clark was very diligent in his role as sheriff and worked
8 extremely hard to enforce the law and protect the citizens of Caldwell County; and

9 Whereas, Sheriff Clark was successful in combating illegal drug activity in
10 Caldwell County and was responsible for reducing the number of methamphetamine
11 labs in the County; and

12 Whereas, Sheriff Clark held regular town hall meetings and, prior to his
13 death, was in the process of establishing a Citizens Advisory Council that would have
14 allowed citizens the opportunity to notify the Sheriff of problems in their
15 neighborhoods; and

16 Whereas, Sheriff Clark was concerned about the welfare of children in his
17 community and helped to found a mentor program known as the South Caldwell
18 Alliance for Youth Program; and

19 Whereas, Sheriff Clark was an outstanding role model who was admired and
20 respected by the men and women who served with him; and

21 Whereas, Sheriff Clark was a deeply religious man who was always willing
22 to share his beliefs with others; and

23 Whereas, Sheriff Clark died on February 2, 2007, only a few weeks into his
24 second term as sheriff; and

25 Whereas, Sheriff Clark is survived by his wife, Kim; daughters, Megan and
26 Michelle; parents, Stanley and Norma Clark; and brother, Alan Clark; Now, therefore,
27 Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

1 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Sheriff
2 Gary M. Clark and expresses its appreciation for his service to the people of Caldwell
3 County.

4 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly extends its deepest sympathy to the
5 family of Sheriff Gary M. Clark for the loss of a beloved family member.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
7 resolution to the family of Sheriff Gary M. Clark.

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