

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1991 SESSION  
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 19  
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1299

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF JULIUS REID  
POOVEY, SR., FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr., son of Lloyd Willard Poovey and Nancy Thomas Reid Poovey, was born September 24, 1902, in Hickory; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. graduated from the Hickory City Schools, attended Weaver College, and was a commercial graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne College in 1922; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. married Kathryn Icard on April 7, 1928; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. served in the Coast Guard Reserve from 1944 to 1945; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was an accountant, and served as Justice of the Peace for 10 years in Hickory, as Judge Pro-Tem of the Municipal Court of Hickory for one year, and as a magistrate in Catawba County for 12 years; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was active in politics, serving on the Catawba County Board of Elections, the Board of Advisors of the North Carolina Federation of College Republicans, and a member of State, county, and precinct Republican Executive Committees; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. served the State with honor and distinction as a Representative in the 1967, 1977, 1979, 1981, and 1983 General Assemblies, and as a Senator in the 1969 and 1973 General Assemblies; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.'s election to the House of Representatives in 1966 made him the first Catawba County Republican elected to the House of Representatives since 1928 and his election to the Senate in 1968 made him one of the first two Republicans elected to the Senate since Reconstruction; and

Whereas, during Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.'s service to the General Assembly, he had many committee assignments, including Appropriations, Elections Laws, Finance, Higher Education, Highway Safety, Insurance as vice-chair, Judiciary I as vice-chair, Mental Health, Military and Veterans Affairs, Personnel and Employment Programs, Public Health, State Government, Transportation, and Wildlife; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was appointed to the Public Education Policy Council in 1983 and retired from the House of Representatives on December 31, 1984; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. also ran for Mayor of Hickory and Clerk of Superior Court of Catawba County; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was nominated to the North Carolina Republican Hall of Fame by the Catawba County Republican Executive Committee in 1987, and was a candidate for the Charles R. Jonas Award, presented annually to the one person in the State who, throughout a lifetime, made a significant contribution to the Republican Party; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. was active in the Hickory American Legion Post No. 48 and the Episcopal Church; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. died unexpectedly on January 24, 1990; and

Whereas, Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. is survived by a daughter, Nancy Yount, three sons, J. Reid Poovey, Jr., William B. Poovey, and James N. Poovey, and other relatives;

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

Section 1. The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. and expresses the deep gratitude and appreciation of this State and its citizens for his life and service to North Carolina.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly joins the family and friends of Julius Reid Poovey, Sr. in mourning the loss of one of the State's most respected citizens.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the family of Julius Reid Poovey, Sr.

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of June, 1991.

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James C. Gardner  
President of the Senate

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Daniel Blue, Jr.  
Speaker of the House of Representatives