

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 231

Sponsors: Representative Goodwin.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

March 5, 2003

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF CHARLES
2 BENNETT "C.B." DEANE, FORMER NORTH CAROLINA MEMBER OF
3 CONGRESS.

4 Whereas, Charles Bennett "C.B." Deane was born on November 1, 1898, in
5 Anson County, North Carolina; and

6 Whereas, C.B. Deane attended Pee Dee Academy in Rockingham and Trinity
7 Park School in Durham, and received a law degree from Wake Forest College; and

8 Whereas, C.B. Deane was admitted to the North Carolina State Bar in 1923
9 and engaged in the practice of law in Rockingham from 1923 through 1926; and

10 Whereas, C.B. Deane served as Register of Deeds of Richmond County from
11 1926 to 1934 and as an attorney in the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor,
12 in Washington, D.C., from 1938 through 1939; and

13 Whereas, C.B. Deane later worked in administrative law and insurance; and

14 Whereas, C.B. Deane served as Chair of the Richmond County Democratic
15 Executive Committee from 1932 to 1946; and

16 Whereas, C.B. Deane was elected to Congress in 1946, serving with honor
17 and distinction through 1956; and

18 Whereas, C.B. Deane lost his congressional seat after taking a courageous
19 public stand in favor of racial desegregation and refusing to sign the "Southern
20 Manifesto," a document signed by many Southern members of Congress criticizing the
21 U.S. Supreme Court's decision in the landmark school desegregation case, Brown v.
22 Board of Education; and

23 Whereas, C.B. Deane was active in his Baptist church and was in favor of
24 Baptist colleges and universities admitting African-Americans as students; and

25 Whereas, C.B. Deane served as a trustee of Wake Forest University and
26 Meredith College; and

27 Whereas, C.B. Deane served as an example and instilled the desire to serve
28 the people of North Carolina and many others, including his son, Charles B. Deane, Jr.,
29 a former member of the State Senate and long-time member of the Richmond County

1 Board of Education, and his grandson, Bennett Deane, current member of the
2 Rockingham City Council; and

3 Whereas, C.B. Deane died on November 24, 1969; Now, therefore,

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

5 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the memory of Charles Bennett
6 "C.B." Deane and expresses the gratitude and appreciation of this State and its citizens
7 for his life and service.

8 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly extends its sympathy to the family and
9 friends of Charles Bennett "C.B." Deane for the loss of a beloved family member and
10 friend.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
12 resolution to the family of Charles Bennett "C.B." Deane.

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