

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION DRHJR50433-LG-266 (06/09)

Sponsors: Representatives Saunders, Black, Morgan, and Brubaker (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDERS OF DUKE POWER ON
2 THE COMPANY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY.

3 Whereas, 2004 marks the 100th anniversary of Duke Power, established by its
4 founders James Buchanan "Buck" Duke, Dr. Gill Wylie, and William States Lee; and

5 Whereas, in 1904, Duke Power embarked on its long relationship with the
6 State of North Carolina when transmission lines were constructed to Pineville and
7 Charlotte; and

8 Whereas, Duke Power employees and retirees continue a long tradition of
9 community service through their active roles in supporting organizations and activities
10 that improve the quality of life in North Carolina; and

11 Whereas, Duke Power is one of the larger employers in North Carolina, with
12 some 6,200 employees and serves almost 1.7 million customers in North Carolina; and

13 Whereas, Duke Power created Lake Norman, North Carolina's largest
14 man-made body of fresh water when it built Cowans Ford Dam in 1963. Lake Norman
15 is essential to the region, since it is an integral part of electricity production for the
16 Cowans Ford Hydro Station, the Marshall Steam Station, and the McGuire Nuclear
17 Station. Combined, these three facilities provide about 4,600 megawatts of electricity,
18 approximately 23% of Duke Power's total system generating capacity. In addition to
19 electricity, Lake Norman provides a dependable water supply and is enjoyed by
20 thousands each year as a source of recreation; and

21 Whereas, the vision of the Duke Power founders lives on today, as the
22 company continues to supply the region with electricity; and

23 Whereas, Duke Power renews its commitment to economic development,
24 working with business and community leaders to invigorate the Carolinas with new
25 ideas and industries to spur economic growth; Now, therefore,

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the memory of James Buchanan
2 "Buck" Duke, Dr. Gill Wylie, and William States Lee, founders of Duke Power.

3 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly commemorates Duke Power, its
4 employees, and retirees on its 100th anniversary, and extends best wishes for continued
5 success in the future.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
7 resolution to Duke Power.

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