

A RESOLUTION TO HONOR GURNEY LEE WILLIAMS FOR HIS 107TH BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, Gurney Lee Williams, a lifelong resident of Moore County, was born July 23, 1913 to Lucas Kelly Williams and Blanche Green Morgan; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams is the oldest of his parents' thirteen children including his twelve siblings: Madison Calvin Williams, Sherman Benjamin Williams, Hubert Kelly Williams, Roby Ellis Williams, Nuby Elwood Williams, Olive Arlene Williams, Worthy Edwin "Sugar Tom" Williams, Earl Williams, Elmer Louvene Williams, Etta Irene Williams, Peggy Jean Williams, and Wilbert Allan Williams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams married his high school sweetheart, Annie Frances Allen on January 12, 1935, and they had eight children: Jessie Love of Pinehurst, Virginia Saunders, Ralph Williams, Fred Williams, Dexter Williams, and Wanda Allred, all of Robbins, Louise Lewis of Charlotte, and Geraldine Snider of Siler City. Gurney and Annie were married for 67 years until her death in 2002. Along with their eight children, all living, there are 14 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and 17 great-great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams had a long and varied work history, starting with a year and a half at Teague's Pottery, followed by fifteen years with Standard Mineral Company's talc mine, twenty years with Milliken Textile Mill, a short stint at Taylor Mobile Homes, and six years with Ithaca Hosiery Mill in Robbins, all while farming and raising livestock; and

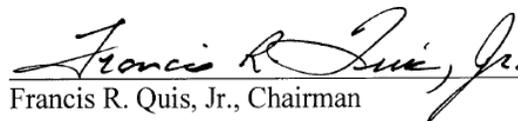
WHEREAS, Mr. Williams resided in his home in Robbins in Moore County until he was 105 years old when he moved to Autumn Care in Biscoe; and

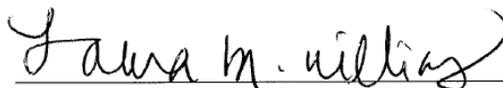
WHEREAS, Mr. Williams, who is one of the oldest living residents of North Carolina, has said the secret to a long life is a good breakfast and lots of hard work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams has recently celebrated his 107th birthday and is a living treasure to Moore County; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Moore County Board of Commissioners hereby honors Mr. Gurney Lee Williams on the occasion of his 107th birthday and wishes he and his family continued blessings now and in the years ahead.

This the 4th day of August 2020.


Francis R. Quis, Jr., Chairman


Laura M. Williams, Clerk to the Board