## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1985 SESSION RATIFIED BILL

## RESOLUTION 30 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 843

## A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF MILES HOFFMAN RHYNE.

Whereas, Miles Hoffman Rhyne, a native of Gaston County and a resident of Wake County, community leader, legislator and banker, died on March 13, 1985, in his seventy-eighth year, after a long and constructive life of community and public service; and

Whereas, Miles Hoffman Rhyne, as a community leader and banker left his imprint on many of the institutions of Gastonia. He was the prime mover behind the construction of the Gastonia YMCA, a leader in the pledge campaign that resulted in its being built, and president of the YMCA Board of Directors from 1959 to 1960; and

Whereas, believing that one centralized campaign could be more effective in raising funds for worthy organizations than for each agency to have its own separate campaign, Miles Hoffman Rhyne was a leader in organizing the United Fund in Gastonia; and

Whereas, Miles Hoffman Rhyne found time in his busy schedule as a banker to serve as president of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce, Civitan Club, Gaston County Merchants Association, and to serve as senior advisor to the Gastonia Jaycees; and

Whereas, Miles Hoffman Rhyne represented Gaston County in the Senate of the North Carolina General Assembly with honor and distinction in 1961, helping to write the State's first small loan legislation; and

Whereas, Miles Hoffman Rhyne was admired by the members of his community and profession for his integrity, diligence, and expertise and served as president of the National Bank of Commerce in Gastonia, executive vice-president of the Charlotte Office of First Union National Bank, president and chief executive officer of the Lincoln Bank in Van Nuys, California, president of Greenfield State Bank in Bakersfield, California, and senior vice-president and Raleigh city executive of the Branch Banking and Trust Company; and

Whereas, Miles Hoffman Rhyne also served as a member of the North Carolina Utilities Commission; and

Whereas, in all of his endeavors, Miles Hoffman Rhyne earned the respect of those around him as a banker who could relate to the working man and as a community leader who tended to be modest about his outstanding services to his community, wherever he was living; and

Whereas, it is proper that this General Assembly, in which Miles Hoffman Rhyne served so ably, take note of his eminent contributions to North Carolina and the communities of Raleigh, Wake County, and Gastonia, Gaston County;

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

Sec. 1. The General Assembly expresses for itself and for the people of North Carolina a deep sense of gratitude for the life and services of Miles Hoffman Rhyne, and a profound respect for his memory.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly offers its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Miles Hoffman Rhyne.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall send certified copies of this resolution to the members of the immediate family of Miles Hoffman Rhyne.

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 5th day of July, 1985.