

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 2008-4
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 249

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF LOUIS ROUND WILSON, SUSAN GREY AKERS, AND FREDERICK G. KILGOUR OF THE SCHOOL OF INFORMATION AND LIBRARY SCIENCE, THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL, ON THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING.

Whereas, on September 17, 1931, Dr. Louis Round Wilson opened at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill a School of Library Science devoted to the preparation of library and knowledge professionals; and

Whereas, Dr. Susan Grey Akers, the first woman dean at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, assumed leadership of the School in 1932, and served librarianship and the University for more than 20 years; and

Whereas, Frederick G. Kilgour, visionary founder of OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc. (initially known as the Ohio College Library Center), the leading global library cooperative, served as a distinguished research professor at the School of Information and Library Science from 1990 until his death in 2006; and

Whereas, free and wide access to knowledge for education, research, professional service, and the delights of reading remain essential to democracies, cultures, industries, and governments around the world; and

Whereas, the vision of Dr. Wilson and Dr. Akers continues to guide the mission and values of the School, its faculty, and its students; and the achievements of Frederick G. Kilgour epitomize the School's values of public learning, shared information, and the stewardship of treasured knowledge; and

Whereas, the School has been consistently recognized as the foremost institution of its kind in the United States of America, and has contributed distinguished information professionals to the institutions of North Carolina, the nation, and the world; Now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. The General Assembly honors the lives and achievements of Louis Round Wilson, Susan Grey Akers, and Frederick G. Kilgour, and their respective legacies embodied in the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

SECTION 2. The General Assembly congratulates the School of Information and Library Science on the 75th anniversary of its vision, teaching, scholarship, service, and advocacy for the information professions.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of The University of North Carolina.

SECTION 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 27th day of
May, 2008.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives