

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**S**

**D**

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION DRSJR15037-LG-62A\* (2/11)**

---

Sponsors:     Senator Shaw.

---

Referred to:

---

1    A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF THEODORE JAMES  
2        "TED" KINNEY, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3            Whereas, Theodore James "Ted" Kinney was born on January 9, 1932, to Russell  
4    Kinney and Daisy Bethea Kinney in Clio, South Carolina; and

5            Whereas, Ted Kinney joined the United States Army after graduating from high  
6    school, serving 21 years of active duty until his retirement in 1972; and

7            Whereas, after serving in the army, Ted Kinney obtained a realtor's license from  
8    Lafayette College and earned a bachelor's degree from Shaw University in 1976; and

9            Whereas, Ted Kinney had a successful career as a realtor; and

10           Whereas, Ted Kinney became active in politics, serving as the Jesse Jackson  
11    Presidential Campaign manager for Cumberland County in 1984 and as a North Carolina  
12    Delegate at the National Democratic Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1988; and

13           Whereas, Ted Kinney rendered distinguished service to the State, serving in the  
14    General Assembly as a member of the House of Representatives for terms in 1993, 1997, and  
15    1999; and

16           Whereas, during his tenure in the General Assembly, Ted Kinney made  
17    contributions as Chair of the Committee on Military, Veterans, and Indian Affairs and the  
18    Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, and as a member of several other  
19    committees, including Education and Transportation; and

20           Whereas, Ted Kinney worked for the betterment of his community, serving as  
21    Executive Director of the Cape Fear Community Development Corporation, Chair of the  
22    Fayetteville Human Services Commission, and Chair of the Greater Fayetteville Area United  
23    Negro College Fund, and as a member of the Cumberland County Joint Planning Board and the  
24    Fayetteville/Cumberland County Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee; and

25           Whereas, Ted Kinney was a member of several professional and fraternal  
26    organizations, including the North Carolina Association of Realtors, the Masons, the Elks, Phi  
27    Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., American Legion Post 202, and VFW Post 6018; and

28           Whereas, Ted Kinney was a devoted member of John Wesley United Methodist  
29    Church, where he served on the Board of Trustees; and

30           Whereas, Ted Kinney received numerous honors and awards for his good deeds,  
31    including the WTVD Community Service Award in 1997, Legislator of the Year Award from  
32    Operation Sickle Cell in 1994, the President's Career Service Award from Shaw University in  
33    1993, and the Man of the Year Award from Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., in 1985; and

34           Whereas, Ted Kinney died on November 2, 2008, leaving to cherish his memory his  
35    wife, Thelma Hodges Kinney, and a son, Robert Fitzgerald Kinney; Now, therefore,  
36    Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:



1           **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the memory of Theodore James "Ted"  
2 Kinney and expresses the appreciation of this State and its citizens for the service he rendered  
3 his community, State, and nation.

4           **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly expresses its sympathy to the family of  
5 Theodore James "Ted" Kinney for the loss of a beloved family member.

6           **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this  
7 resolution to the family of Theodore James "Ted" Kinney.

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