

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: October 17, 2012

SUBJECT: Resolution in Memoriam – Cecil Gordon

PRESENTER: Richard Rhodes

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1.) Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners is requested to adopt the attached Resolution in Memoriam for Cecil Gordon, who passed away on September 19, 2012. Mr. Gordon built and raced cars from his garage in Mills River. During his lengthy career he had 29 top-five, 111 top-10, and 304 top-20 finishes. He finished a career-high third in the Cup standings in 1971.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to adopt the attached Resolution as presented.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move that the Board adopt the attached Resolution of Memoriam for Cecil Gordon.

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RESOLUTION OF MEMORIAM

CECIL GORDON JUNE 21, 1941 – SEPTEMBER 19, 2012

WHEREAS, Cecil Gordon was one of Nascar's racing pioneers; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Gordon built and raced cars from his garage in Mills River; and

WHEREAS, in his lengthy career as a driver, Cecil Gordon ran 450 races as a driver, most of them with his own independent team, and drive a total of 112,907 total laps; and

WHEREAS, in those races Cecil Gordon had 29 top-five, 111 top-10, and 304 top-20 finishes; and

WHEREAS, Cecil Gordon finished a career-high third in the Cup standings in 1971; and

WHEREAS, the Board salutes the homegrown efforts of Cecil Gordon, and his legacy of racing from a garage in Mills River;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Cecil Gordon's career as the first Gordon to race the #24 car will long be remembered by citizens in Henderson County and Western North Carolina.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County of Henderson to be affixed.

Adopted this the 17th day of October, 2012.

THOMAS H. THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD