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RESOLUTION IN MEMORIAM OF CHESTER ALLEN "CHAT" JONES

- WHEREAS,** Henderson County and its community members sadly note the passing of Chester Allen "Chat" Jones, a beloved husband, father, grandfather and brother, as well as a distinguished community leader; and
- WHEREAS,** Chat Jones leaves behind a legacy of community service and philanthropic deeds; and,
- WHEREAS,** Among his many legacies Chat help to found the Henderson County Education Foundation; and
- WHEREAS,** Chat founded, along with his brother Donnie Jones and the assistance of the Henderson County Kiwanis Club, the Special Needs Baseball League; and,
- WHEREAS,** Chat was a loyal member of the Henderson County Kiwanis Club, where he served as President of the organization in 1987 and in January 2013 would have celebrated 40 years of perfect attendance; and,
- WHEREAS,** Chat truly cared for the individuals in our community and founded a number of services in order to help the less fortunate. A few of these services include donating diapers and car seats to teen mothers at Balfour Education Center, donating car seats to new mothers at Park Ridge and Pardee Hospitals, donating cars to those who couldn't afford one otherwise and pioneering a program to purchase and hang swings for handicapped and wheelchair bound children at Henderson County Parks; and,
- WHEREAS,** Chat absorbed himself in the rich history of Henderson County and several week prior to passing founded "Main Street - Then and Now", a program to simulate a walk down Main Street through pictures of storefront from the past and today, with friend Tom Orr; and,
- WHEREAS,** Chat will be greatly missed by his family and community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Henderson County Board of Commissioners that we commend Chester Allen "Chat" Jones, *in memoriam*, for his selfless service to the community, and we proclaim his legacy will live on in Henderson County.

FURTHERMORE, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners will dedicate Fields 8 & 9 at Jackson Park as the "Chat Jones Memorial Fields".

Adopted this the 21st day of November, 2012.

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