

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: February 17, 2016

SUBJECT: Resolution in Memoriam – Dr. George Alexander Jones

PRESENTER: Chairman Thomas Thompson

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1.) Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners is requested to adopt the attached Resolution in Memoriam for Dr. George Alexander Jones, who passed away on February 12, 2016. Dr. Jones was born in Saluda in 1920. He founded the Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society and worked tirelessly to preserve the Historic Courthouse.

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 Dr. George Alexander Jones.

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RESOLUTION OF MEMORIAM

Dr. George Alexander Jones
August 2, 1920 - February 12, 2016

- WHEREAS,** Dr. George Alexander Jones was born in Henderson County, was a Saluda native, who graduated from Saluda High School, attended college at Lees-McCrae College and Lenoir-Rhyne College receiving a master's degree in theology and a Ph.D. from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. Dr. Jones also served our country in the United States Army; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. George Alexander Jones spent many years as a pastor in Kentucky, returning to Henderson County upon his retirement where he served as an interim pastor in various churches around Henderson County; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. George Alexander Jones was a man with a passion for history and genealogy founding the Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society, he worked tirelessly to record the heritage of Henderson County and document the county's historic cemeteries; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. George Alexander Jones was a key figure in saving the Henderson County Historic Courthouse from demolition; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. George Alexander Jones was a leader in preserving Henderson County's history helping to form the Henderson County Heritage Museum; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. George Alexander Jones was recognized by the Society of North Carolina Historians as the Historian of Western North Carolina; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. George Alexander Jones spent many years of his life serving his community, making it a better place to live. History, and the citizens of Henderson County, will remember Dr. George Alexander Jones as someone who left the community better than he found it;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dr. George Alexander Jones will be remembered for his legacy of recording and preserving the history of Henderson County, and his many contributions to our community.

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 February 2016.

THOMAS THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD