H **HOUSE RESOLUTION 934**

Sponsors: Representative McCormick (Primary Sponsor).

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING THE TOWN OF JONESVILLE'S BICENTENNIAL.

Whereas, the Town of Jonesville, located in northwest Yadkin County in the heart of the Yadkin Valley, was incorporated in 1811; and

Whereas, the Town of Jonesville, originally called Martinsborough and later named for local citizen Hardy Jones, evolved behind the protective bluffs above the Yadkin River as a mid-1700s settlement called Allen's settlement; and

Whereas, patriots from Allen's Settlement, and subsequently Jonesville, have served with honor and distinction in domestic and foreign wars – from the early Regulator uprising on the Overmountain Trail to Kings Mountain and subsequent victory in the Revolutionary War, through our nation's devastating Civil War, during the wars in Europe and the Pacific theater, to contemporary conflicts in the Middle East; and

Whereas, early Jonesville flourished as a religious, educational, industrial, agricultural, civic, and social center at the crossroads between the western wilderness and eastern settlements - featuring a popular academy for men and women, a prominent hotel and stagecoach station, respected educators and ministers, medical personnel and a mineral springs respite, skilled craftsmen and artisans, a tobacco plant and tannery, assorted mercantiles, mills, and a soap factory; and

Whereas, Jonesville later suffered irreparable damages and losses at the hands of Union soldiers who, on April 1, 1865, destroyed facilities and terrorized residents during General George Stoneman's raid down the Yadkin River near the end of the Civil War; and

Whereas, through the 20th and 21st centuries, Jonesville has risen again above the bluffs along the Yadkin River to become a respite for travelers along Interstate 77, into the heart of the Yadkin Valley's wine country that flourishes beneath the majestic Blue Ridge Mountains, and as a gateway into the Yadkin Valley Heritage Corridor of historic and recreational attractions; and

Whereas, plans have been made to celebrate Jonesville's bicentennial throughout the year during several community events; and

Whereas, Jonesville's bicentennial is worthy of celebration and should be enjoyed and supported by all of North Carolina's citizens; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The House of Representatives congratulates the Town of Jonesville on its distinguished 200-year history and joins the citizens and officials in celebrating the Town of Jonesville's Bicentennial.

SECTION 2. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor of the Town of Jonesville.

SECTION 3. This resolution is effective upon adoption.



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