

**REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**HENDERSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MEETING DATE:** May 12, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Amateur Radio Recognition and Appreciation Month

**PRESENTER:** Charlie Messer

**ATTACHMENTS:** Yes  
1.) Resolution

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Governor Pat McCrory requests the Board adopt a resolution designating July 2014 as “Amateur Radio Recognition and Appreciation Month” in Henderson County.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

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

**SUGGESTED MOTION:**

*I move that the Board adopts the attached Resolution designating July 2014 as Amateur Radio Recognition and Appreciation Month in Henderson County.*

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## RESOLUTION

### AMATEUR RADIO RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION MONTH

- WHEREAS,** North Carolina is home to nearly 18,000 licensed Amateur Radio operators of all ages, known as hams; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1914, amateur radio operators organized across the nation by creating the American Radio Relay league and the National Association of Amateur Radio, for the purpose of providing communications support and service, especially during emergencies when all else fails; and
- WHEREAS,** for the past 100 years, ham radio operators have experimented with and perfected technologies we all enjoy today; including television, high fidelity FM, cellular telephones, integrated circuits and more; and
- WHEREAS,** White House and Congressional reports on disaster response such as Hurricane Katrina praised amateur radio for its role in providing emergency communications when normal telephone and internet service failed; and
- WHEREAS,** since 1949, North Carolina amateur radio operators have been meeting over the air every evening on the Tar Heel Emergency Net to test skills and equipment; and
- WHEREAS,** North Carolinians continue to benefit from the dedication of these unpaid, volunteer communicators;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that we, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim July, 2014, as "AMATEUR RADIO RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION MONTH" in Henderson County, and commend its observance to all citizens.

Adopted this 12th day of May, 2014.

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CHARLES D. MESSER, CHAIRMAN  
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

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TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD