REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: July 21, 2021

SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation – James Homer Levi

PRESENTER: Chairman Bill Lapsley

ATTACHMENTS: Yes

1.) Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners is requested to adopt the attached Resolution of Appreciation for James Homer Levi. Mr. Levi is a World War II veteran and will turn 100 years old on August 2, 2021.

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 Appreciation for James Homer Levi.

Henderson County Board of Commissioners

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RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION JAMES HOMER LEVI

- **WHEREAS,** James Homer Levi is a Henderson County native son, born August 2, 1921 in Bob's Creek, the tenth of twelve children. Mr. Levi's family has resided in the Green River community for over eight generations; and
- **WHEREAS,** Mr. Levi left school after sixth grade to work at Mondamin Dairy milking cows, and delivering ice and milk to Lake Summit residents. Mr. Levi remembers that it was a 14 mile walk around the lake; and
- **WHEREAS,** Following four years at the dairy, Mr. Levi joined his older siblings to work at the local cotton mill; and
- WHEREAS, In September 1942, Mr. Levi joined the United States Army to serve his country in World War II. Although the Army intended to send him to the South Pacific, the ship transporting him and 500 other soldiers to Guadalcanal took a blow, disabling it off of the coast of Panama. The orders for the men aboard the ship were destroyed in the explosion and they waited for several months in Panama until they received new orders to stay in Panama and guard the canal against possible enemy attack; and
- **WHEREAS,** Once the war ended, Mr. Levi returned to Henderson County to marry area native Ruth Freeman, and raise their two children, Steve and Marsha; and
- **WHEREAS,** Mr. Levi worked for 33 years as a supervisor at Cranston Print Works in Fletcher, retiring in 1984; and
- **WHEREAS,** Living and serving as a dedicated member of Tuxedo Baptist Church, Mr. Levi's great-nephew, Theron Maybin, once said of him, "He's very dedicated to the church and to leadership in the community"; and
- WHEREAS, On August 2, 2021, Mr. Levi will reach the magnificent age of 100;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners expresses their deep appreciation for his service to the United States of America and recognizes Mr. Levi's contributions to the Green River community and Henderson County at large. On behalf of the citizens and staff of Henderson County, we wish a very happy birthday to James Homer Levi. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County of Henderson to be affixed.

Adopted this the 21st day of July, 2021.

WILLIAM G. LAPSLEY, CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:			
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