

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE CAREER OF
W.K. "Ike" Keener Jr.**

- WHEREAS,** Ike Keener is retiring after dutifully serving the membership of Allegacy as Chief Executive Officer for 16 years, over a career that spanned thirty-eight years; and
- WHEREAS,** under his leadership, Allegacy transitioned from its roots as Reynolds Carolina Credit Union to one of the largest federal credit unions in the state, with over 600 member companies, almost 120,000 members, 17 branches and more than \$1 billion in assets; and
- WHEREAS,** he ensured that Allegacy held true to its cooperative mission and heritage by sharing generously and graciously with credit unions, and has been instrumental in expanding the credit union movement in Winston-Salem; and
- WHEREAS,** he is a man of faith, character, compassion and insight who is widely recognized as an exemplary husband, father, credit union leader and friend; and
- WHEREAS,** he has brought the importance of Financial Education to the forefront by being actively involved in the creation of the first high school student-run credit union in North Carolina in 2008, followed by six additional high school student-run credit unions, and being the visionary behind and a founding Board Member of the Center for Smart Financial Choices, a non-profit created to provide financial education and training; and
- WHEREAS,** he served on the Winston Salem State University Capital Campaign and as a member of the Operating Advisory Board of the Federal Reserve, and the Board of the Institute for Regenerative Medicine; and
- WHEREAS,** he has always approached his obligations to the members of Allegacy with the highest sense of responsibility and care in an effort to help them make smart financial choices; and
- WHEREAS,** his business acumen and advocacy for innovation have been instrumental in providing Allegacy's members and employees with world-class products, services, facilities, systems, programs and benefits, while adhering to principles that are befitting a cooperative; and
- WHEREAS,** his philosophy of "heart in the past, head in the future and feet on the ground" has proven to be a positive influence in the lives of those around him: Now, therefore
- BE IT RESOLVED** that Allegacy, the North Carolina Credit Union League and the credit unions of North Carolina recognize and thank W.K. "Ike" Keener, Jr., for his many lasting contributions. A copy of this Resolution will be on display at Allegacy so they may remember the appreciation and admiration of the delegates here at the 2013 Annual Meeting of North Carolina Credit Unions.