

Resolution of Appreciation

J.C. Higgins

Whereas: *J.C. Higgins is a man of faith, character, compassion and vision, who is truly recognized as a devoted husband, father, grandfather, credit union leader and friend; and*

Whereas: *J.C. has served Winston-Salem Firemen's Credit Union now named Emergency Responders Credit Union with genuine compassion for its members and staff from October 1974 to August 2013; and*

Whereas: *J.C. started at the very beginning, first in the basement of Old Number Two Fire Station, then to A.B. Bullard Fire Station, to our first office building on Peters Creek Parkway and now in our own building at 1777 Link Road, making his way up to the role of Chief Operations Officer; his efforts and leadership have grown the credit union to \$17 million in assets and over 2500 in membership today; and*

Whereas: *J.C. truly understands that the credit union movement will only continue as younger members support credit unions; he loves to tell stories of the history of our credit union from the basement of an old fire station to our currently owned building; and*

Whereas: *He served as a mentor and helped guide many of his co-workers with counsel and support on matters both professional and personal; many credit him for advice that helped them grow and mature and take on life's struggles; and*

Whereas: *J.C.'s volunteer support of the Northwest Chapter of Credit Unions and the North Carolina Credit Union League helped guide those organizations; he has served on several committees of the Northwest Chapter of Credit Unions and he has also been a strong voice within the CUES Chief Operations Officer Council; and*

Whereas: *J.C. obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Fire Science and Safety from Florida International University; and was certified as a Credit Union Executive through CCUE in August 1998; and*

Whereas: *J.C. helped with the changing of our by-laws when our name changed from Winston-Salem Firemen's Credit Union to Emergency Responders Credit Union, allowing the field of membership to change which, increased our marketing for new members; and*

Whereas: *His love of God, family, country and the credit union movement is a legacy that inspires us all; now therefore be it*

Resolved: *That Emergency Responders Credit Union, the North Carolina Credit Union League Board of Directors and the credit unions of North Carolina recognize and thank J.C. Higgins for his many lasting contributions. A copy of this Resolution will be on display at Emergency Responders Credit Union so they may remember the appreciation and admiration of the delegates here at the 2013 Annual Meeting of North Carolina Credit Unions.*