

## RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION HONORING ALLEN BOYNTON

Whereas, Allen Boynton is a highly respected conservationist who has worked diligently to promote and foster wildlife diversity throughout North Carolina; and

Whereas, Allen has provided visionary leadership for the conservation of North Carolina's wildlife heritage; and

Whereas, Allen has provided leadership to create the largest and most influential bird conservation effort in the State, North Carolina Partners In Flight, and led a multi-agency effort to re-establish peregrine falcons in North Carolina; and

Whereas, Allen has conducted significant research on rare species including Carolina northern flying squirrels, several species of bats, bog turtles, green salamanders, snails and others; and

Whereas, Allen led efforts to develop North Carolina's first Alligator Management Plan, and

Whereas, Allen has mentored a generation of young biologists, passing on his dedication and passion to conserve North Carolina's wildlife resources; and

Whereas, Allen has received numerous recognitions for his commitment to wildlife conservation by constituent groups including the 1990 Award of Excellence from the NCWRC's Division of Wildlife Management, the 1991 Management Excellence Award from the SE Section of The Wildlife Society, the 2010 Wildlife Biologist of the Year from the VA Department of Wildlife Resources, and the 2019 Wildlife Conservation Award from the NC Chapter of The Wildlife Society.

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, that the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission does hereby pay tribute to Allen Boynton for his outstanding contributions to the citizens of North Carolina through his continuing commitment to the conservation of the state's wildlife diversity;

And be it Resolved Further, that the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission expresses its profound gratitude to Allen and presents him with the Thomas L. Quay Wildlife Diversity Award for his exemplary leadership in the enhancement and conservation of North Carolina's nongame wildlife resources.

This resolution, introduced by Chairman David W. Hoyle, Jr., was unanimously seconded and passed by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission in a meeting duly assembled on April 22, 2021 in Raleigh, North Carolina.

David W. Hoyle, Jr., Chairman

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