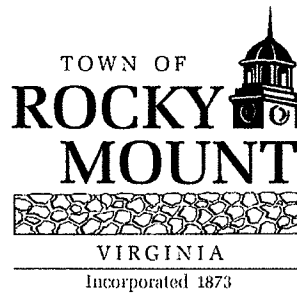


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## RESOLUTION HONORING JAMES OLIVER COOPER

**WHEREAS**, the Rocky Mount community was saddened to learn of the passing of James Oliver Cooper on March 15, 2010, at his Penhook home at the age of 92, and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Cooper was born in 1918 in Pittsylvania County, and was a decorated military veteran of both pre-World War II service and a re-enlistment for service during the war, earning commendations for combat action in Europe and Africa, and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Cooper returned to Virginia and served in civil service as a deputy sheriff, justice of the peace, United States Postal Service, and as a substitute teacher, as well earning a living in private enterprise, making his home first in Pittsylvania County and then in Franklin County and Rocky Mount, and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Cooper faithfully attended the Rocky Mount United Methodist Church, remaining a quiet presence in worship until his passing, and

**WHEREAS**, James Oliver Cooper served this community as a Town Council member from from July 1, 1986, through his resignation June 13, 1989, adding thoughtful and deliberate insight to the legislative processes of the community through his lifetime of varied experiences and shared community values,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of Rocky Mount, Virginia, that it does hereby join the Cooper family in grieving its loss, and does jointly mourn the loss of a former colleague and friend to the community, expressing through this memorial resolution its sympathy to the family of James Oliver Cooper.

Given under my hand this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2010.

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Steven C. Angle, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Patricia H. Keatts, Town Clerk