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for consideration by the Apex Town Council

Item Type: NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Date: August 12, 2025

Item Details

Presenter(s): Mayor Jacques K. Gilbert (sponsor)

Department(s): Governing Body

Requested Motion

A Mayoral Letter of Honor to be issued in recognition of Apex Ambassador, Mister J.C. Knowles, Ninety Seventh (97th) Birthday.

Approval Recommended?

Yes

Item Details

Born on June 28, 1928, in the town of Wallace in Duplin County, JC and his twin sister, Ruby Lee, were raised and educated at Oxford Orphanage. As a young man, he served our country in the Merchant Marines and the U.S. Army before embarking on a journey that would bring him to Apex.

Depending on who you talk to, JC Knowles is a businessman, an auctioneer, a school board member, an historian, an educator, a North Carolina scholar, a Sunday School teacher, an antiques appraiser, a publisher, a writer, a radio show host, an innovator and an influencer. He has received countless local and state awards, including the prestigious Order of the Long Leaf Pine bestowed upon him by Governor Beverly Purdue, and he's a devoted husband, father and grandfather. The title for which JC is most widely known, however, is Apex Ambassador.

Attachments

- PR1-A1: Mayoral Letter of Honor *(to be provided under separate cover)*

