

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING CHRIS CARTER AND  
HIS YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and thank Chris Carter for his service to North Carolina and to this institution as my Chief of Staff and wish him well as he embarks on the next stage of his career.

Chris started as an ambitious 23-year-old who never met a stranger and who quickly impressed me with his character, hard work, optimism and his 1950's style flat top.

Over the past eight plus years, Chris has worked tirelessly by my side doing whatever it takes to meet the needs of the people of North Carolina's Eighth District. There is no

telling how many miles we have logged together over the years from Salisbury to Fayetteville and everywhere in-between. Though I'm sure Chris has a spreadsheet somewhere that could tell you down to the mile. He has been by my side since day one and has played an integral part of setting up every aspect of my organization. Through it all, Chris has demonstrated profound judgment and steady leadership.

There are few instances where I do not seek Chris' perspective or guidance. I like to think, however, this is a mutual feeling given the role I played bringing Chris together with his lovely wife, Jessika. They met thanks to me. And through constant coaching, pep talks and plenty of grooming and fashion advice, I helped Chris become the man with whom she finally fell in love. Despite being an obnoxious Carolina basketball fan, Jessika came to see what everyone who meets Chris knows—he is

a person of warmth, integrity, intelligence, charm, an above average sense of humor and incredible empathy.

My constituents have benefited from Chris' hard work and commitment. He is the first to lend a helping hand to anyone seeking assistance and I can confidently say that because of Chris, North Carolina is a better place. I know I would not be who I am or where I am today without him.

It is with immense gratitude to Chris I stand here with the humble awareness I will never be able to truly express how much he means to me, my staff and my family. Chris, I love you like a brother and we wish you and Jess nothing but the best as you start your next great adventure together back in North Carolina.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in thanking Chris Carter for his service to this institution and to the people of North Carolina.

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