SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE BUSINESS MEETING 2020 MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS

John "Jack" W. Walker (by Keith Stephenson and Wayne Shelley)

Whereas John "Jack" W. Walker departed this earth on December 15, 2019 after a career in the profession of southeastern archaeology with the National Park Service; and

Whereas, Jack was born on March 28, 1928 in North Carolina where 17 years later he graduated from Rutherfordton-Spindale Central High School and then attended Mars Hill Junior College finishing in 1947. He enlisted in the Navy in 1950 and served honorably during the Korean War until his discharge in July 1954; and

Whereas, following his military service, Jack enrolled at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he graduated in July 1956 with a B.A. in anthropology, majoring in archaeology. He completed graduate work in 1958 in anthropology at the University of Kentucky; and

Whereas, by 1959 he was employed as a Park Archaeologist stationed at the Ocmulgee National Monument in Macon, Georgia. After 1961, with the exception of four years spent in Washington as the National Survey of Historic Sites and Buildings archaeologist, he was on the staff of the Archaeological Research Unit and of the Southeast Archaeological Center. In the latter position, he conducted, supervised, or contracted for almost all park-related archaeological research carried out in the southeastern United States until his retirement in 1990; then

Therefore, be it hereby resolved, that the Southeastern Archaeological Conference on behalf of its members, recognizes with great appreciation the contributions of John "Jack" W. Walker to the field of southeastern archaeology over the course of his career, and express their sincere sympathy to Virginia Gilmore, Jack's spouse of 56 years.