#### N C S B A McIVER-HAAS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

(Limited to presentation to one person each year and not necessarily awarded every year.)

# **Discussion:**

In order to acknowledge the efforts and contributions of those individuals who have long-term and highly productive service to the North Carolina State Beekeepers Association, Inc., and to beekeeping, the NCSBA has established the "NCSBA McIver-Haas Lifetime Achievement Award."

This award is designed to acknowledge those individuals whose dedicated service to the NCSBA and achievements in support of beekeeping are true and of long lasting significance. This award is not intended to be an annual presentation, and it will be made only to individuals who are widely acknowledged as a worthy recipients.

# Criteria:

The following minimum requirements must be met for anyone nominated for the award:

- 1. A current or past member of the NCSBA.
- 2. Minimum of 15 years of service to beekeeping and beekeepers.
- 3. Minimum of 10 years of service to the NCSBA.
- 4. A nomination for the award must consist of one letter of nomination from an individual or a beekeeping organization <u>plus</u> two supporting letters of nomination from other individuals or organizations.
- 5. A nomination package must demonstrate the nominee=s accomplishments in all of the following areas:
  - (1) Assistance to beekeepers.
  - (2) Promotion of beekeeping.
  - (3) Education of beekeeping and the public about beekeeping.
  - (4) Recruitment of potential beekeepers.
  - (5) Publicizing beekeeping.
  - (6) Service to the NCSBA.

# Procedures for nominations:

The presentation of the NCSBA McIver-Haas Lifetime Achievement Award will normally be limited to the annual Summer meeting in the year that the recipient of the award is selected. Complete nomination packages should be submitted to the NCSBA President at least sixty (60) days before the annual Summer meeting to be considered for that current year. The nomination package must contain a letter of nomination and two supporting letters as described under Criteria, Item 4 above. The nomination must cover all the minimum requirements for nomination as described under Criteria Item 5 above to be considered. It is emphasized that more than the minimum requirements are expected before the award recipient is selected. It is desirable that the nominees not know of their nomination.

Upon receipt of the nomination package, the NCSBA president will appoint a committee of at least three (3) members to evaluate the nomination. The committee shall consist of a past recipient and past or present officers or regional representatives. This committee shall have the authority to disqualify any nomination that does not meet the minimum requirements stated in these instructions.

# The award:

The recipient of the award should be notified at least 2 weeks in advance of the NCSBA annual Summer meeting of his or her selection for the award. The recipient will be presented with a suitable plaque acknowledging his or her contributions, and the recipient's expenses at the meeting (lodging, registration fee, etc.) will be reimbursed by the NCSBA. The recipient will be asked to present an appropriate talk after the presentation of the award.