

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1991 SESSION
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 24
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1305

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE EARLY SCOTTISH SETTLERS OF NORTH CAROLINA WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GROWTH OF THIS STATE AND COUNTRY ON THE OCCASION OF THE 1991 GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES.

Whereas, North Carolina was one of the first colonies to receive settlers from Scotland in the seventeenth century and has continued to welcome Scottish immigrants and their cultures from the Borders, the Lowlands, and the Highlands of Scotland with open and warm arms to this very day; and

Whereas, many North Carolinians of Scottish descent fought bravely for liberty and freedom in the American War of Independence; and

Whereas, the names of many communities and families across North Carolina are constant reminders of the deep Scottish heritage of the State and the contributions that heritage has made to the State; and

Whereas, Grandfather Mountain in North Carolina has become the location for the largest celebration in America of Scottish tradition; and

Whereas, many members of the Scottish nobility, who are leaders of the Scottish Clans and whose members have contributed to the growth of North Carolina for over 300 years, accept invitations to be the Honored Guests at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in order to sustain and support the historic, cultural, and economic ties between North Carolina and Scotland; and

Whereas, this year's Honored Guests at Grandfather Mountain are the Earl and Countess of Dalkeith; and

Whereas, the Earl of Dalkeith is Vice President of the Scottish Opera; Vice President of the Royal Smithfield Club in London; Chairman of the Southwest Region of the Nature Conservancy Council of Scotland; a member for Scotland of the Independent Tele Vision Commission; a member of the Board of Directors of Buccleuch Heritage Trust; a patron of the Border Arts Festival; and President of the Roxburgh Singers; and

Whereas, Lord Dalkeith is the eldest son of the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry, K.T., Her Royal Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Roxburgh, Ettrick, and Lauder, and Chief of Clan Scott; and

Whereas, the Countess of Dalkeith is Chair of the Scottish Ballet and the daughter of the Marquis of Lothian, Chief of Clan Kerr;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

Section 1. The General Assembly honors the memory of the early Scottish settlers of North Carolina who have made significant contributions to the growth of this State and country.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly honors acceptance by the Earl and Countess of Dalkeith of the invitation to be the Honored Guests at the 1991 Grandfather Mountain Highland Games and extends to both of them the warmest hospitality of all North Carolinians during their visit in this State.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to be presented to Lord and Lady Dalkeith on the occasion of the luncheon honoring

them on July 12, 1991, sponsored by the Clan Scott Society of the Americas, the Kerr Family Association, and the Caledonian Foundation.

Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon ratification.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 11th day of July, 1991.

James C. Gardner
President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives