GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1673* Adopted 6/30/92 Corrected Copy 7/1/92

Sponsors: Representatives Huffman, Brawley, Isenhower; and Flaherty.

Referred to: Rules, Appointments and Calendar.

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June 29, 1992

A HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDERS OF CATAWBA COUNTY ON ITS SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

Whereas, by 1840, the residents of the northern section of Lincoln County began to express their dissatisfaction with having to travel a great distance to the county seat of Lincolnton; and

Whereas, in 1842, Nathaniel Wilson was elected to the General Assembly by running a successful political campaign calling for the division of the northern section of Lincoln County; and

Whereas, with the leadership and assistance of Nathaniel Wilson, Catawba County was formed from Lincoln County in 1842; and

Whereas, Catawba County is celebrating its sesquicentennial in 1992; and

Whereas, Catawba County was named for a Native American ethnic group that had lived in that area; and

Whereas, during the formation of Catawba County, the primary ethnic groups included Germans, Scot-Irish, and Africans; and

Whereas, the early settlers made great contributions to the county as farmers and craftsmen; and

Whereas, education was a major concern of the founding fathers of Catawba County and remains a key objective of its current government; and

Whereas, agriculture was the mainstay of Catawba County's economy until World War II, when farming was supplanted by industry; and

Whereas, business and industry have played an integral part in the economic development of Catawba County; and

1	Whereas, the citizens of Catawba County are proud of their religious heritage
2	which includes many denominations; and
3	Whereas, the Catawba County Sesquicentennial Planning Committee and
4	volunteers have been planning a year-long commemoration of the establishment of
5	Catawba County; and
6	Whereas, the Catawba County sesquicentennial year will be observed through
7	educational programs, concerts, ethnic festivals, a fireworks display, aerial displays,
8	dramas, tours, exhibitions, and other entertainment and recreational activities; and
9	Whereas, this occasion is worthy of recognition by the North Carolina House
10	of Representatives;
11	Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives:
12	Section 1. The House of Representatives wishes to honor the founders of
13	Catawba County and urges all North Carolinians to join the citizens of Catawba County
14	in celebrating the Catawba County Sesquicentennial.
15	Sec. 2. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to
16	the Catawba County Sesquicentennial Planning Committee and to the Chair of the
17	Catawba County Board of Commissioners.
18	Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon adoption.