

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1993**

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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 594**

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Sponsors: Senators Walker and Lee.

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Referred to: Rules and Operation of the Senate.

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March 29, 1993

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NORTH  
2 CAROLINA CENTER FOR THE BOOK.

3           Whereas, the Town of Southern Pines will be vacating the present library  
4 building for a new location and facility; and

5           Whereas, the vacated old library building could become a liability and should  
6 be recycled for a new use; and

7           Whereas, the State Library of North Carolina in conjunction with the Library  
8 of Congress proposes to establish the North Carolina Center for the Book; and

9           Whereas, the purpose of the Center is to promote reading, celebrate our  
10 literary heritage, and develop writers; and

11           Whereas, proximity of the Weymouth Center and the Theatre would permit  
12 the holding of national and regional conferences and the performance of plays written  
13 by young playwrights or poetry readings; and

14           Whereas, the Center would build upon the significant contributions made by  
15 Poet Laureate Sam Ragan and former Secretary of Cultural Resources, Sara Hodgkins,  
16 and the many other authors and journalists from North Carolina;

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

18           Section 1. The General Assembly supports efforts to create the North  
19 Carolina Center for the Book to be located at the old Southern Pines Library building.

20           Sec. 2. This resolution is effective upon ratification.