

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1961 SESSION

CHAPTER 999
HOUSE BILL 621

1 AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A MUSEUM-VISITOR CENTER AT
2 THE RICHMOND TEMPERANCE AND LITERARY SOCIETY HALL AND JOHN
3 CHARLES MCNEILL MEMORIAL GARDENS IN SCOTLAND COUNTY.
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5 WHEREAS, The Richmond Temperance and Literary Society Hall has been
6 restored and open to the public as an historic shrine; and

7 WHEREAS, the John Charles McNeill Memorial Gardens, so named for the
8 beloved North Carolina poet, are in process of development in connection with the historic
9 Hall; and

10 WHEREAS, the American Association for State and Local History for the United
11 States and Canada has awarded one of its fifty Awards of Merit for the year 1960 to the
12 Richmond Temperance and Literary Society Commission, in recognition of the restoration of
13 the Historic Hall: Now, therefore,

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15 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:
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17 **Section 1.** An appropriation of twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000.00) from the
18 General Fund is hereby made as a grant in aid to the Richmond Temperance and Literary
19 Society Commission, a non-profit corporation for the following purpose at the Richmond
20 Temperance and Literary Society Hall and John Charles McNeill Memorial Gardens:

21 Construction of a Museum-Visitor Center and the
22 area surrounding same.....\$22,000.00
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24 **Sec. 2.** The Richmond Temperance and Literary Society Commission and the North
25 Carolina Department of Archives and History shall consult together in formulating
26 development plans for the above purposes and funds for the same shall be expended only upon
27 the Department's approval and endorsement of said plans.

28 **Sec. 3.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

29 **Sec. 4.** This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

30 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 17th day of June,
1961.