

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 1054  
HOUSE BILL 696

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE MATCHING FUNDS TO ASSIST IN THE RESTORATION  
AND PRESERVATION OF STONEWALL IN NASH COUNTY.

Whereas, Stonewall (also known as the Lewis House) built about 1830 by Bennett Bunn as the mansion house for his Little Falls Plantation, is an exceptional antebellum plantation house; and

Whereas, the interior of Stonewall is indicative of the presence of a master craftsman whose work is among the finest interpretations of the Federal style in the State; and

Whereas, Stonewall is listed in the National Register of Historic Places; and

Whereas, Stonewall is presently leased to the Nash County Historical Association, Inc., by Rocky Mount Mills, which has agreed to convey the property to the association; and

Whereas, the Nash County Historical Association, Inc., has developed plans to preserve Stonewall as one of the chief architectural monuments of North Carolina and to open it to the public for its educational and historical value; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Division of Archives and History, Department of Cultural Resources, for the 1977-78 Fiscal Year the sum of eighteen thousand nine hundred dollars (\$18,900), seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) of which will be available to the Nash County Historical Association, Inc., for the purpose of beginning the exterior and masonry restoration of Stonewall, the remainder of which will be used by the Department of Cultural Resources, Division of Archives and History, to provide technical services to the Nash County Historical Association, Inc., for the project provided an amount of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) is raised by the Nash County Historical Association, Inc.; and for the 1978-79 Fiscal Year the sum of eighteen thousand nine hundred dollars (\$18,900), seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) of which will be available to the Nash County Historical Association, Inc., for the purpose of completing the exterior and masonry restoration and beginning the interior restoration of Stonewall, the remainder of which will be used by the Department of Cultural Resources, Division of Archives and History, to provide technical services to the Nash County Historical Association, Inc., for the project provided an amount of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) is raised by the Nash County Historical Association, Inc. Funds appropriated in this act shall be expended only in accordance with G.S. 121-11 and G.S. 143-31.2.

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective on July 1, 1977.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 1st day of July, 1977.