

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1991**

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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 960\***

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Sponsors: Senators Simpson and Kincaid.

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Referred to: Rules Suspended; Placed on Calendar for 6/19/91.

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June 18, 1991

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN  
2 HIGHLAND GAMES AND THE ACCEPTANCE BY THE EARL AND  
3 COUNTESS OF DALKEITH TO BE THE HONORED GUESTS AT THE 1991  
4 GAMES.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

13          Section 1. The General Assembly honors the acceptance by the Earl and  
14 Countess of Dalkeith of the invitation to be the Honored Guests at the 1991 Grandfather  
15 Mountain Highland Games and extends to both of them the warmest hospitality of all  
16 North Carolinians during their visit in this State.

17          Sec. 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution  
18 to be presented to Lord and Lady Dalkeith on the occasion of the luncheon honoring  
19 them on July 12, 1991, sponsored by the Clan Scott Society of the Americas, the Kerr  
20 Family Association, and the Caledonian Foundation.

21          Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.