

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1650

Sponsors: Representatives Rapp and Haire (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

May 12, 2005

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF ABRAHAM L.
2 FREELANDER FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO HAYWOOD COMMUNITY
3 COLLEGE, ON THE OCCASION OF THE COLLEGE'S FORTIETH
4 ANNIVERSARY.

5 Whereas, Haywood County Technical Institute was established as an
6 extension unit of the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute on August 1, 1965; and

7 Whereas, Haywood County Technical Institute's initial student body
8 consisted of 39 students who were enrolled in the licensed practical nursing program
9 (LPN) and 93 students enrolled in continuing education programs; and

10 Whereas, Haywood County Technical Institute's first graduating class
11 consisted of 15 students from the LPN program; and

12 Whereas, Haywood County Technical Institute became a contractual
13 institution operating under an agreement between the State Board of Education and the
14 Haywood County Board of Education on September 7, 1967; and

15 Whereas, Haywood County Technical Institute was approved as a chartered
16 technical institution on December 13, 1968; and

17 Whereas, in 1969, Haywood County Technical Institute was able to acquire
18 land for a new campus due to a generous financial gift by Abraham L. Freedlander and
19 other donors; and

20 Whereas, Abraham L. Freedlander helped preserve an oak forest on the
21 campus of Haywood County Technical Institute and made other significant
22 contributions to the school; and

23 Whereas, Haywood County Technical Institute became known as Haywood
24 Technical College on September 11, 1979, and later as Haywood Community College
25 on November 10, 1987; and

26 Whereas, Haywood Community College has experienced phenomenal
27 growth; and

28 Whereas, since 1965 Haywood Community College has served over 62,000
29 curriculum students; and

1 Whereas, Haywood Community College's enrollments in continuing
2 education have reached nearly 225,000 students, with an average of 10,000 students
3 annually; and

4 Whereas, Haywood Community College offers 50 curricular programs, 47 of
5 which are applied science degrees for vocations and technical majors; and

6 Whereas, Haywood Community College's assets have quadrupled in recent
7 years, which is a reflection of the local citizens' enormous support and pride in the
8 institution; and

9 Whereas, in 2005, Haywood Community College will be celebrating 40 years
10 of providing educational opportunities to the citizens of Haywood County and
11 surrounding areas; Now, therefore,

12 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

13 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the memory of Abraham L.
14 Freedlander for his contributions to Haywood Community College and the State of
15 North Carolina.

16 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly extends its congratulations to
17 Haywood Community College on its 40th anniversary.

18 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
19 resolution to the President of Haywood Community College.

20 **SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.