

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1183*

Sponsors: Senator Kinnaird.

Referred to: Placed on Calendar; Passed 2nd & 3rd Readings 8/23/05.

August 23, 2005

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE EARLY SETTLERS OF THE TOWN OF
2 ROXBORO ON THE OCCASION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH
3 ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN'S INCORPORATION.

4 Whereas, the Town of Roxboro, located in central Person County, was once a
5 stagecoach stop between Hillsborough and South Boston; and

6 Whereas, for many years, the area was known as Moccasin Gap and later as
7 Roxborough for the Town of Roxburgh, Scotland; and

8 Whereas, in 1793, a newly built courthouse enabled the area to become the
9 county seat; and

10 Whereas, the Town of Roxboro was incorporated on January 9, 1855; and

11 Whereas, the Town of Roxboro's first officers included Mayor W.R. Reade,
12 Commissioners G.D. Satterfield, C.S. Winstead, James Wright, and E.G. Reade; and

13 Whereas, other early officers of the Town of Roxboro included W.R. Reade,
14 magistrate of police; Stephen M. Dickens, treasurer; Henry Satterfield, constable; John
15 M. Winstead, overseer of the streets; and Benjamin A. Thaxton, secretary; and

16 Whereas, Roxboro has been home to many great North Carolinians,
17 including: The Honorable William W. Kitchin, a former six-term member of the United
18 States House of Representatives and Governor of the State of North Carolina; Reginald
19 L. Harris, former Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina and Speaker of the House of
20 Representatives; Enos Slaughter, an outstanding baseball player and member of the
21 National Baseball Hall of Fame; and Jim Thorpe, a well-known golfer and member of
22 the Senior PGA Tour; and

23 Whereas, Roxboro is known for its contributions to industry and agriculture;
24 and

25 Whereas, Roxboro has a population of 8,861 citizens and has continued to
26 grow and prosper through the continued dedication, insight, and planning of the Town's
27 concerned leaders and citizens; and

28 Whereas, the year 2005 marks the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of
29 the Town of Roxboro and is worthy of celebration and should be enjoyed and supported
30 by all North Carolinians; Now, therefore,

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the memory of the early settlers
3 of the Town of Roxboro and congratulates the Town on its 150th anniversary.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
5 resolution to the Mayor of the Town of Roxboro.

6 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.