

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007

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HOUSE RESOLUTION 2068

Sponsors: Representatives Braxton and Wainwright (Primary Sponsors).

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

July 26, 2007

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF RICHARD CASWELL,
2 REVOLUTIONARY WAR HERO AND THE GOVERNOR OF NORTH
3 CAROLINA, AND RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2007 AS
4 RICHARD CASWELL MONTH.

5 Whereas, Richard Caswell was an early and effective leader of the Patriot
6 cause in the American Revolution; and

7 Whereas, Richard Caswell represented North Carolina at both Continental
8 Congresses and served in all five Provincial Congresses; and

9 Whereas, Richard Caswell commanded the Patriot forces in the important
10 early victory over the Loyalists at the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge in February 1776,
11 thus becoming one of North Carolina's first heroes; and

12 Whereas, Richard Caswell served throughout the American Revolution as
13 commander of the North Carolina cavalry; and

14 Whereas, Richard Caswell ultimately served as Major General of the North
15 Carolina Militia during the American Revolution; and

16 Whereas, Richard Caswell chaired the committee that drafted the first North
17 Carolina Constitution; and

18 Whereas, Richard Caswell served as the first Governor of the State of North
19 Carolina; and

20 Whereas, Richard Caswell still holds the distinction of having served more
21 terms than any other Governor of our State; and

22 Whereas, Richard Caswell served North Carolina in many other significant
23 and progressive leadership roles as well; Now, therefore,

24 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

25 **SECTION 1.** The North Carolina House of Representatives honors the
26 memory of Richard Caswell for the service he rendered the State of North Carolina.

27 **SECTION 2.** The North Carolina House of Representatives wishes to
28 recognize the month of August 2007, the month in which the Governor Richard Caswell
29 Memorial State Historic Site will be reopened, as Governor Richard Caswell Month to
30 honor this important patriot and the first Governor of North Carolina.

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SECTION 3. This resolution is effective upon adoption.