

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION DRSJR15084-LG-598 (05/07)

Sponsors: Senator Jones.

Referred to:

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDERS OF THE TOWN OF
2 HALIFAX ON THE OCCASION OF THE TOWN'S TWO HUNDRED FIFTIETH
3 ANNIVERSARY.

4 Whereas, the Town of Halifax, founded on the Roanoke River, was chartered
5 by an act of the Assembly on November 21, 1757; and

6 Whereas, Halifax was named for George Montague, the second Earl of
7 Halifax, who served as president of the Board of Trade and Plantations when the Town
8 was established; and

9 Whereas, Halifax served as an important colonial government and
10 commercial center; and

11 Whereas, on April 12, 1776, the Fourth Provincial Congress met in Halifax
12 and unanimously adopted the "Halifax Resolves," the first official action by a colony
13 recommending independence from Great Britain; and

14 Whereas, the legislature continued to meet in Halifax between 1779 and
15 1781; and

16 Whereas, the citizens of Halifax have made significant contributions to the
17 social, cultural, political, and economic prosperity of the State of North Carolina; and

18 Whereas, Halifax has continued to grow and prosper through the continued
19 dedication, insight, and planning of the Town's concerned leaders and citizens; and

20 Whereas, plans have been made to celebrate the Town's 250th historic
21 anniversary on July 4, 2007, and during other times throughout the year; and

22 Whereas, this occasion is worthy of celebration and should be enjoyed and
23 supported by all North Carolinians; Now, therefore,

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

25 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the founders of the Town of
26 Halifax and congratulates the Town on its 250th anniversary.

27 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
28 resolution to the Honorable Gerald Wright, Mayor of the Town of Halifax.

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SECTION 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.