

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1472

Sponsors: Senators Rucho, Odom, Clodfelter, and Dannelly.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

July 9, 2002

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING PARAMOUNT'S CAROWINDS THEME
2 PARK FOR ITS NUMEROUS ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ITS THIRTY-YEAR
3 HISTORY.

4 Whereas, Paramount's Carowinds theme park has been a vital part of the
5 North Carolina tourism industry during the past 30 years; and

6 Whereas, Paramount's Carowinds has employed more than 80,000 individuals
7 in its three-decade history in our State; and

8 Whereas, Paramount's Carowinds has continued to grow and expand the park
9 for tourists visiting our State through capital improvements and additions that exceed
10 \$108,000,000 in the past 30 years; and

11 Whereas, Paramount's Carowinds has been a generous supporter of numerous
12 causes during the past 30 years, including the donation of more than \$2,000,000 in
13 admission tickets in 2001, and throughout the years opening its doors and providing
14 admission to numerous children and other guests who would not otherwise have the
15 chance to experience such a theme park adventure; and

16 Whereas, Paramount's Carowinds will entertain its 40 millionth guest in
17 2002; and

18 Whereas, Paramount's Carowinds has established itself as the number one
19 gated tourist attraction in North Carolina; Now, therefore,

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

21 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly recognizes Paramount's Carowinds for
22 its numerous accomplishments and contributions to the State.

23 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
24 resolution to Paramount's Carowinds, the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, the
25 Charlotte Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Greater Charlotte Hospitality and
26 Tourism Alliance, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners, the Charlotte City
27 Council, and the Office of the Mayor of the City of Charlotte.

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