

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2009**

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1104

Sponsors: Senator Jones.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

June 16, 2009

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE TWO HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
2 OF HALIFAX COUNTY.

3 Whereas, in 1758 the Colonial Assembly passed an act effective January 1, 1759,
4 dividing Edgecombe County into Edgecombe and Halifax Counties; and

5 Whereas, Halifax County was named for George Montagu, second Earl of Halifax,
6 who served as president of the Board of Trade and was successful in extending commerce in
7 North America; and

8 Whereas, Joseph Montford served as the first Clerk of Court of Halifax County; and

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

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

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

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

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

19 Whereas, plans have been made to celebrate the County's 250th historic anniversary
20 on July 4, 2009, and during other times throughout the year; and

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

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

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

26 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
27 resolution to the Honorable Gene W. Minton, Chair of the Halifax County Board of
28 Commissioners.

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

