

students and 400,000 other visitors from North Carolina and other states who visit Old Salem each year; and

Whereas, the trustees of Old Salem, Inc., have committed to a \$25 million campaign to provide for these and other restorations and improvements at Old Salem; and

Whereas, the further development of Old Salem as a vehicle through which to interpret North Carolina's religious and cultural heritage to its people will help instill in its people the values which have been the source of its success and will have the additional benefit of drawing additional travel and tourist revenues and jobs to our State; Now, therefore,

1 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

2 Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to Old Salem,
3 Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation, the sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for the
4 1998-99 fiscal year for the restoration and development of the St. Philips Church and the
5 construction of the North Carolina Heritage Education Center at Old Salem.

6 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1998.