

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 1999
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 10
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1068

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF DR. EDMUND STRUDWICK, THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL SOCIETY, ON THE SOCIETY'S ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

Whereas, on April 16, 1849, physicians from eight counties met at the North Carolina Supreme Court to organize the "Medical Society of the State of North Carolina", now known as the "North Carolina Medical Society"; and

Whereas, on April 17, 1849, Dr. Edmund Strudwick was elected as the first president of the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Medical Society is celebrating the 150th anniversary of its inception; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Medical Society has worked throughout its existence to advance the art and science of medicine and to unite, serve, and represent physicians in order to enhance physician advocacy for their patients and improve the health of the people of North Carolina; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Medical Society has sought to elevate the standards of medical education and service so that the medical profession can become more capable within itself, more useful in the prevention and cure of disease, and more effective in prolonging and adding comfort to life; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Medical Society has unflaggingly pursued its mission of excellence in medicine through advocacy for medical research, clinical care and education so that the medical profession continues to evolve as a highly specialized and capable profession; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Medical Society has worked consistently to inform the public of the problems of medical care and public health, and has worked cooperatively with the members of the General Assembly to address important health problems and assure responsible health laws are enacted; and

Whereas, the physicians of North Carolina are deeply grateful for the privilege to serve the people of this great State and pledge to continue their work individually and through the North Carolina Medical Society to improve our health care system; Now, therefore,

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

Section 1. The General Assembly honors the life and memory of Dr. Edmund Strudwick and expresses appreciation for the contributions he made to the State of North Carolina and to the North Carolina Medical Society. The General Assembly recognizes the historical accomplishments of the North Carolina Medical Society and congratulates the organization on 150 years of dedicated commitment to improve the health of North Carolinians and to advance the art and science of medicine by promoting high standards of scientific rigor and professional competence in our health care system.

Section 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the North Carolina Medical Society.

Section 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

1999. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 19th day of May,

Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives