GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001 RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 2001-3 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 273

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDERS OF THE TOWN OF ANGIER ON THE TOWN'S $100^{\rm TH}$ ANNIVERSARY.

Whereas, the Town of Angier was founded on the farm of J.C. "Jake" Williams, who according to the census of Harnett County in 1860 had approximately 1,300 acres of land; and

Whereas, around 1899, a railroad built by Colonel Jonathan Cicero Angier was completed from Apex to Jake Williams' farm in order to haul lumber and logs; and

Whereas, a railroad station house was erected and after much discussion, was named Angier, in honor of Jonathan Cicero Angier; and

Whereas, in July of 1899, Jake Williams obtained the services of a surveyor,

Daniel E. Green, to map out and plot the streets for the Town of Angier; and

Whereas, the Town of Angier was incorporated by the General Assembly on March 1, 1901; and

Whereas, the first Mayor was Jake Williams, the first Board of Commissioners was composed of B.F. Williams, W.H. Gregory, and C.S. Adams, and the first Chief of Police was M.W. Denning; and

Whereas, the Town began to grow due to the lumber, sawmill, and farming businesses, with cotton as the major money crop and later tobacco; and

Whereas, as a result of the concern and dedication of its progressive citizens, the Town of Angier achieved several store buildings, gas lamps and eventually electric lights, a water and sewer system, paved streets, one of the best municipal buildings in the area, many churches, one of the first, if not the first, high school buildings in Harnett County, and a Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, the Town of Angier became known as "The Town of the Crepe Myrtles" because the Angier Woman's Club planted crepe myrtles along the roadways in the 1930s; and

Whereas, the Town of Angier is continuing to grow, improve, and prosper through the continued dedication, insight, and planning of concerned leaders and citizens; Now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. The General Assembly honors the founders of the Town of Angier and extends its sincere congratulations and best wishes to the Town of Angier upon the Town's 100th anniversary.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor of the Town of Angier.

SECTION 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1st day of March, 2001.

Beverly E. Perdue President of the Senate

Joe Hackney Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives