

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1989

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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1379

Sponsors: Representatives Hall, Payne; and Bowman.

Referred to: Rules.

April 24, 1989

1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE OPINION OF THE HOUSE OF
2 REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE HUMANITARIAN WORK OF THE MERCY
3 SHIPS IS WORTHY OF STATE RECOGNITION AND PRAISE.

4 Whereas, the M/V Anastasis and M/V Good Samaritan mercy ships are
5 extensions of the international, interdenominational organization, "Youth With A
6 Mission"; and

7 Whereas, the M/V Anastasis and the M/V Good Samaritan sail to Third
8 World areas of natural disaster and economic need with the three-fold purpose of mercy
9 ministry, training, and evangelism; and

10 Whereas, the mercy ships' workers are unsalaried volunteers, supported by
11 local churches, mission boards, family, and friends; and

12 Whereas, volunteers pay for room and board during their time on the vessels;
13 and

14 Whereas, the M/V Anastasis is a fully equipped hospital, surgical, and dental
15 unit with the potential to assist victims of war, natural disaster, famine, and poverty in
16 any port city of the world; and

17 Whereas, the M/V Anastasis has portable medical and dental equipment and
18 mobile teams to go to remote areas; and

19 Whereas, volunteers on the mercy ships include doctors, nurses, dentists,
20 builders, teachers, and evangelists who come from 25 nations and all Christian
21 denominations; and

22 Whereas, most recently the M/V Anastasis assisted Jamaica before and after
23 Hurricane Gilbert; and

24 Whereas, the M/V Anastasis has been docked in the port of Wilmington since
25 March 30, 1989, and is leaving April 20, 1989; and

1 Whereas, the M/V Anastasis is picking up volunteers, cargo, and supplies and
2 raising funds for its next trip to the Yucatan area of New Mexico;

3 Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

4 Section 1. It is the opinion of the House of Representatives that the
5 humanitarian work of the mercy ships is worthy of State recognition and praise.

6 Sec. 2. It is also the opinion of the House of Representatives that the
7 volunteers of the M/V Anastasis should be recognized and praised for giving hope and
8 inspiration to the needy of Third World countries.

9 Sec. 3. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to
10 the President of the M/V Anastasis and Youth With A Mission.

11 Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon adoption.