GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE RESOLUTION 1323

Sponsors: Senators Harris, Conder; Allran, Ballance, Barnes, Basnight, Block, Bryan, Carpenter, Chalk, Cobb, Cochrane, Daughtry, Ezzell, Goldston, Guy, Hardin, Hunt of Durham, Hunt of Moore, Johnson of Cabarrus, Johnson of Wake, Kaplan, Kincaid, Martin of Pitt, Martin of Guilford, Marvin, Murphy, Odom, Parnell, Plyler, Rauch, Raynor, Richardson, Royall, Sands, Shaw, Sherron, Simpson, Smith, Soles, Speed, Staton, Swain, Taft, Tally, Walker, Ward, and Winner

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June 26, 1989

A SENATE RESOLUTION LAMENTING THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT DECISION DECLARING UNCONSTITUTIONAL LAWS PROHIBITING THE DESTRUCTION, MUTILATION, OR DESECRATION OF THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND URGING THE CONGRESS TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

Whereas, the American flag is a cherished emblem symbolizing the proud history and democratic principles of the citizens of this nation; and

Whereas, the intentional destruction, mutilation, and desecration of the American flag are shameful acts, insulting and abhorrent to those who treasure the beauty and simplicity with which these emblems convey to the world the values embraced by Americans;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Senate:

Section 1. The Senate laments the decision of the United States Supreme Court declaring unconstitutional those laws prohibiting the destruction, mutilation, or desecration of the flag of the United States of America, reaffirms the respect with which it regards the American flag, and the esteem by which that symbol is regarded by the citizens of this State and the nation.

Sec. 2. The Senate urges the Congress of the United States to take appropriate action, including a constitutional amendment if necessary, to allow for laws prohibiting the destruction, mutilation, or desecration of the flag of the United States.

- Sec. 3. The Principal Clerk of the Senate shall send a certified copy of this resolution to each member of the North Carolina Congressional Delegation.
- 3 Sec. 4. This resolution is effective upon adoption.