

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE RESOLUTION 1566

Sponsors: Senators Kincaid and Kaplan.

Referred to: Rules and Operation of the Senate.

June 6, 1990

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE STATE CAPITOL'S ARCHITECTS
2 ON ITS ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

3 Whereas, the State Capitol is one of the country's finest examples of civic
4 architecture in the Greek Revival style and is listed as a National Historic Landmark;
5 and

6 Whereas, many significant legislative and other matters in North Carolina's
7 history have been decided in the Capitol; and

8 Whereas, the General Assembly was located in the Capitol for 121 years,
9 from 1840 through 1961; and

10 Whereas, the Capitol has long stood as the symbol of patriotism and good
11 government in North Carolina; and

12 Whereas, the Capitol's first architect, William Nichols, Jr., was replaced by
13 the firm of Town and Davis of New York; and

14 Whereas, Ithiel Town (1784-1844) and Alexander Jackson Davis (1803-
15 1892) were mostly responsible for the Capitol's present appearance and plan; and

16 Whereas, an Edinburg-born architect, David Paton (1801-1882) replaced
17 Town and Davis in 1835 and was responsible for much of the Capitol's interior; and

18 Whereas, 1990 is the 150th anniversary of the completion of the Capitol; and

19 Whereas, events will be held at the Capitol in June and July 1990 to
20 recognize the Capitol's 150-year history;

21 Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Senate:

22 Section 1. The Senate wishes to honor the architects who designed the State
23 Capitol.

24 Sec. 2. The Senate encourages all North Carolinians to commemorate the
25 proud history of our State Capitol by participating in the following official Capitol
26 sesquicentennial events: Video Production on the Capitol's history, June 8; Living

- 1 History Drama Tours, June 9; Feast for 500, June 10; Capitol 150th Birthday Gala, June
- 2 30; and Capitol July Fourth Celebration, July 4.
- 3 Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon adoption.