

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE RESOLUTION 1104

Sponsors: Senator Rand.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

September 10, 2001

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE NORTH CAROLINIANS WHO
2 SIGNED THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND RECOGNIZING
3 SEPTEMBER 17-23, 2001, AS CONSTITUTION WEEK IN THIS STATE.

4 Whereas, on September 17, 1787, our nation's founding fathers signed the
5 United States Constitution, including North Carolinians William Blount, Richard D.
6 Spaight, and Hugh Williamson, establishing the form and function of our system of
7 government, authorized by the people it governs and intended to secure the blessings of
8 liberty and prosperity for those citizens; and

9 Whereas, this revolutionary document formed a strong foundation of
10 dedication to the protection of inherent human rights, individual liberty, and justice
11 based upon the rule of law, and these commitments were extended and reiterated in the
12 Constitution's first 10 amendments, the Bill of Rights; and

13 Whereas, it is imperative for the preservation of liberty that men, women, and
14 children understand and respect the essential principles of our founding documents and
15 their vital role in the birth, growth, and continued triumph of our great State and nation;
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17 Whereas, freedom of conscience is a precious right and imbued with the
18 knowledge that vigilance is the eternal price of liberty, we commit ourselves to
19 protecting the freedoms and principles of the Constitution for the sake of all North
20 Carolinians and Americans, present and future; Now, therefore,

21 Be it resolved by the Senate:

22 **SECTION 1.** The Senate of North Carolina honors the memory of William
23 Blount, Richard D. Spaight, and Hugh Williamson, signers of the United States
24 Constitution from North Carolina.

25 **SECTION 2.** The Senate recognizes September 17-23, 2001, as Constitution
26 Week in the State of North Carolina and calls this observance to the attention of all our
27 citizens.

28 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.