GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001

Η 1 **HOUSE BILL 709**

Short Title: Adopt Carolina Lily as State Wildflower. (Public) **Sponsors:** Representatives Baker; and Michaux. Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. March 21, 2001 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE CAROLINA LILY AS THE OFFICIAL WILDFLOWER OF NORTH CAROLINA. Whereas, North Carolina is blessed with an abundance of wildflowers from the mountains to the coast; and Whereas, the Carolina Lily is a scarce and beautiful flower that is found

7 throughout North Carolina, in upland pine-oak woods and pocosins; and 8 Whereas, the Carolina Lily (Lilium michauxii) is named for the distinguished 9

French botanist who traveled widely in the Southeastern United States; and

Whereas, this magnificent flower bears the name of our great State; and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina does not have an official wildflower; Now, therefore,

13 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 14

SECTION 1. Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 145-18. State wildflower. 16

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The Carolina Lily (Lilium michauxii) is adopted as the official wildflower of the State of North Carolina."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.