

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 254*

Sponsors: Senator Harris.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

February 27, 2001

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDERS OF THE TOWN OF
2 ANGIER ON THE TOWN'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY.

3 Whereas, the Town of Angier was founded on the farm of J.C. "Jake"
4 Williams, who according to the census of Harnett County in 1860 had approximately
5 1,300 acres of land; and

6 Whereas, around 1899, a railroad built by Col. Jonathan Cicero Angier was
7 completed from Apex to Jake Williams' farm in order to haul lumber and logs; and

8 Whereas, a station house was erected and after much discussion was named
9 Angier, in honor of Jonathan Cicero Angier; and

10 Whereas, in July of 1899, Jake Williams obtained the services of a surveyor,
11 Daniel E. Green, to map out and plot the streets for the Town of Angier; and

12 Whereas, the Town of Angier was incorporated by the General Assembly on
13 March 1, 1901; and

14 Whereas, the first Mayor was Jake Williams and the Board of Commissioners
15 was composed of B.F. Williams, W.H. Gregory, and C.S. Adams, and its first Chief of
16 Police was M.W. Denning; and

17 Whereas, the Town began to grow due to the lumber business, sawmills, and
18 farming business, with cotton as the major money crop and later tobacco; and

19 Whereas, with the concern and dedication of its progressive citizens, the
20 Town of Angier achieved several store buildings, gasoline lamps and eventually electric
21 lights, a water and sewer system, paved streets, one of the best municipal buildings in
22 the area, many churches, one of the first, if not the first, high school buildings in Harnett
23 County, and a Chamber of Commerce; and

24 Whereas, the Town of Angier became known as "The Town of the Crepe
25 Myrtles" due to a project of planting crepe myrtles along the roadways by the Angier
26 Woman's Club in the 1930s; and

27 Whereas, the Town of Angier is continuing to grow, improve, and prosper
28 through the continued dedication, insight, and planning of concerned leaders and
29 citizens; Now, therefore,

1 Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

2 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly honors the founders of the Town of
3 Angier and extends its sincere congratulations and best wishes to the Town of Angier
4 upon the Town's 100th anniversary.

5 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
6 resolution to the Mayor of the Town of Angier.

7 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.