## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 1997 RATIFIED BILL

## RESOLUTION 36 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1754

A JOINT RESOLUTION INVITING THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO HOST ITS NEXT PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATING CONVENTION IN CHARLOTTE.

Whereas, in the year 2000, the Republican Party will hold its thirty-seventh quadrennial Presidential Nominating Convention; and

Whereas, Presidential Nominating Conventions are the crown jewels of our political process, concentrating the attention of the nation and the world on the success and continuity of the American experiment of self-government; and

Whereas, no other single event in American life brings the focus on a city that

a Presidential Nominating Convention does; and

Whereas, only 15 cities have been chosen as hosts for the 36 Presidential Nominating Conventions held by the Republican Party since its founding in 1856; and

Whereas, in the 13 presidential election years since World War II, the

Republican Party has held a Convention in the East only three times; and

Whereas, North Carolina has a strong history of supporting Republicans at the

national level; and

Whereas, with its state-of-the-art Convention Center and Coliseum, the City of Charlotte has outstanding facilities with which to host a Presidential Nominating Convention; and

Whereas, a group of North Carolinians has formed Carolinas 2000, Inc., to bring a Presidential Nominating Convention to Charlotte in the year 2000; Now, therefore,

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

Section 1. The General Assembly cordially invites the Republican National Committee to hold its next Presidential Nominating Convention in Charlotte.

Section 2. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 4th day of June, 1998.

Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives