

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 383

Sponsors: Representative Guice.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

March 4, 2009

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE FOUNDER OF THE HOUSE OF FLAGS
2 MUSEUM.

3 Whereas, the House of Flags Museum opened on September 8, 2001, in a temporary
4 facility in Green Creek, North Carolina; and

5 Whereas, the House of Flags Museum has a collection of over 300 national,
6 international, state, military, and religious flags, including 27 full-size official United States
7 flags from 1776 to 1960; and

8 Whereas, the Museum's mission is to provide a unique tourist destination in North
9 Carolina dedicated to nurturing and promoting patriotism, flag etiquette, and historical
10 understanding of the evolution of our nation's flag through flag displays and a variety of
11 education programs and activities for all visitors; and

12 Whereas, Museum visitors can take guided or self-guided tours or watch educational
13 videos to learn about the flags in the collection, all of which were donated by local veterans,
14 citizens, visitors, or purchased through donations; and

15 Whereas, plans have been made to establish a permanent facility to house the House
16 of Flags Museum in Columbus, North Carolina; and

17 Whereas, the House of Flags Museum was founded by George Scofield and the
18 members of the VFW Post 9116; and

19 Whereas, George Scofield worked tirelessly to instill patriotism in the younger
20 generations and was widely known for using the phrase "31 Words, Three Commas," which he
21 used to refer to the Pledge of Allegiance; and

22 Whereas, George Scofield served as the curator of the Museum prior to his death on
23 November 25, 2008; Now, therefore,

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

25 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly expresses its support for the House of Flags
26 Museum in its efforts to promote patriotism and tourism in the State.

27 **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly honors the life and memory of George
28 Scofield and expresses its appreciation for the service he rendered to his community, State, and
29 nation, including founding the House of Flags Museum.

30 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
31 resolution to the House of Flags Museum.

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

