

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1989 SESSION
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 7
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 368

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING ALBERT SCHWEITZER BY PROCLAIMING
ALBERT SCHWEITZER WEEK.

Whereas, Dr. Albert Schweitzer was a renowned physician, missionary, theologian, musicologist and organist; and

Whereas, Dr. Schweitzer's dedication to humanity led him to found a hospital in a remote region of Africa, the village of Lambarene; and

Whereas, Dr. Schweitzer's respect for the individual and philosophy of "reverence for life," as the principle to govern all human action, earned him the Nobel Peace Prize in 1952; and

Whereas, this same principle is needed today more than ever before and if practiced by all people would achieve harmony among mankind; and

Whereas, the Albert Schweitzer International Prizes are presented in Wilmington, North Carolina, to honor the memory and keep alive the teachings of this great humanitarian by recognizing men and women worldwide who exemplify Dr. Schweitzer's "reverence for life" in his three areas of expertise of medicine, music and the humanities; and

Whereas, this year's distinguished winners include Beverly Sills, an operatic singer in music; Dr. George Hitchings of Burroughs Wellcome, last year's Nobel Prize winner, in Medicine; and Professor Boris Luben-Plozza of Switzerland, for his teaching the Balint System, a humanitarian medical treatment of the whole patient, in the Humanities; and

Whereas, the Albert Schweitzer International Prizes are the only international prizes of their kind in the world and the first international prizes given in North Carolina, thereby focusing global attention on North Carolina, New Hanover County, the City of Wilmington and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

Section 1. The General Assembly of the State of North Carolina does hereby proclaim March 19, 1989, through March 23, 1989, as Albert Schweitzer Week and urge all residents to join in honoring this exemplary friend of mankind and the exceptional individuals being honored in his name.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the City of Wilmington.

Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 22nd day of March, 1989.

James C. Gardner
President of the Senate

J. L. Mavretic
Speaker of the House of Representatives