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SENATE RESOLUTION 327

Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee Substitute Senate Resolution Adopted 6/16/99 Adopted 6/29/99

Sponsors:			
Referred to:			

March 11, 1999

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	A SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY
3	OF THE TOWN OF WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH.
4	Whereas, the Town of Wrightsville Beach was incorporated by the General
5	Assembly on March 6, 1899; and
6	Whereas, Wrightsville Beach's early officers included Samuel Northop as
7	Mayor, W.R. Kenan and Ernest Williams as Aldermen, and Thomas W. Davis as Clerk
8	and Treasurer; and
9	Whereas, at the time of the Town's incorporation, 50 cottages and several
10	hotels dotted the landscape of the Wrightsville Beach area; and
11	Whereas, Wrightsville Beach lies east of Wilmington in New Hanover County,
12	just across the Intracoastal Waterway; and

Whereas, in earlier days, the trolley was the only means of transportation for those on the mainland to reach Wrightsville Beach; and

Whereas, the trolley served as a crucial delivery system for food, ice, and other supplies needed by the islanders and operated until 1934, at which time, a great fire destroyed the entire northern end of the island; and

Whereas, the Carolina Yacht Club, located in the heart of Wrightsville Beach,

remains one of the oldest boating clubs in the United States, demonstrating the rich tradition of sailing in the Cape Fear area; and

tradition of sailing in the Cape Fear area; and
Whereas, one of Wrightsville Beach's most legendary attractions included the
Lumina, a grand pavilion that served as a gathering place for nearly 68 years and hosted

Whereas, Wrightsville Beach's beautiful beaches, great sailing, water skiing, and other recreational activities cater to families with generations returning year after year; and

such great entertainers as Louis Armstrong, Woody Herman, and Cab Calloway; and

Whereas, the small year-round population of 3,050 continues to preserve the integrity of Wrightsville Beach, ensuring that the 12,000 summer visitors return every year; and

Whereas, today, the Wrightsville Beach Preservation Society holds an annual event commemorating the Town as it stood in the 1930s and 1940s; and

Whereas, the citizens of Wrightsville Beach have been actively preparing for the Town's 100th anniversary; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

Section 1. The Senate congratulates the Town of Wrightsville Beach on its 100th anniversary and urges the citizens of this State to participate in the activities commemorating this historic occasion.

Section 2. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor of the Town of Wrightsville Beach.

Section 3. This resolution is effective upon adoption.