

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION DRSJR35488-LG-268B (06/14)

Sponsors: Senators Dorsett and Hagan.

Referred to:

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF KATHLEEN
2 BRYAN EDWARDS, ONE OF THE STATE'S MOST PROMINENT CITIZENS.

3 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was born on September 10, 1928, in New
4 York City to Joseph Bryan and Kathleen Price Bryan; and

5 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards completed high school at the Madeira
6 School in Washington, D.C., attended the University of North Carolina at Greensboro,
7 and was graduated from Sweet Briar College; and

8 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was a well-known philanthropist and civic
9 leader who supported both traditional and unique civic endeavors; and

10 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards donated her time, talents, and energy to
11 numerous local, State, and national boards; and

12 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was particularly interested in cultural,
13 educational, political, and environmental issues; and

14 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was tireless in her efforts to improve the
15 lives of those who were impoverished or economically challenged; and

16 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was a generous benefactor of many
17 organizations, including the Greensboro Urban Ministry; and

18 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was one of the founders of the
19 Greensboro Opera Company and the Greensboro Day School and helped create the
20 endowment at the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra; and

21 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards served as President of The Kathleen Price
22 Bryan Family Fund and The Julian Price Family Foundation; and

23 Whereas, in 1998, Kathleen Bryan Edwards donated 92 acres of land in the
24 City of Greensboro, which is now the Julian and Ethel Clay Price Park and the site of a
25 new public library scheduled to be opened on September 10, 2004, and named the
26 Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library; and

27 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was the recipient of the State's highest
28 civilian honor, the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, and numerous other awards; and

1 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards received honorary degrees from Sacred
2 Heart College and Belmont Abbey College and was presented with an Outstanding
3 Leadership Award from Bennett College; and

4 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards set an example for all of us through her
5 unyielding compassion for and commitment to all people; and

6 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards delighted members of all generations with
7 her wit and charm; and

8 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards was respected and admired by all of those
9 who knew her and had the privilege to work with her; and

10 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards died on June 11, 2004, at the age of 75;
11 and

12 Whereas, Kathleen Bryan Edwards is survived by eight children: Laura
13 deBoisfeuillet Edwards, Susan Jarrell Edwards, Mary Price Taylor Harrison, Melanie
14 Ann Taylor, John Guest Taylor, Kathleen Clay Taylor, Joseph McKinley Bryan Taylor,
15 and Ray Howard Taylor III and 11 grandchildren; Now, therefore,

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

17 **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly expresses high regard for the life and
18 accomplishments of Kathleen Bryan Edwards and mourns the loss of one of the State's
19 most gifted, beloved, and respected citizens.

20 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this
21 resolution to the family of Kathleen Bryan Edwards.

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