

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

**HOUSE BILL 406
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO ADOPT THE AYDEN COLLARD FESTIVAL AS THE OFFICIAL
COLLARD FESTIVAL OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, since 1975, the Town of Ayden has held an annual collard festival to bring the community and surrounding areas together in celebration of the Town's farming and agricultural heritage; and

Whereas, the Ayden Collard Festival has grown into a great marketing and promotional tool for the Ayden community, Pitt County, and eastern North Carolina; and

Whereas, the Ayden Collard Festival should be adopted as the official collard festival of the State of North Carolina; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 145-27. State Collard Festival.

The Ayden Collard Festival is adopted as the official collard festival of the State of North Carolina."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 26th day of April, 2007.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved _____ .m. this _____ day of _____, 2007