

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1985 SESSION
RATIFIED BILL

RESOLUTION 9
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 640

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY AND HONORING THE MEMORY OF FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, UNDER WHOSE ADMINISTRATION THE PARKWAY WAS ESTABLISHED.

Whereas, the exceptional area in North Carolina and Virginia known as the Blue Ridge Parkway has drawn millions of visitors to the State of North Carolina since the commencement of its construction in September 1935; and

Whereas, the National Park Service, which is responsible for the maintenance of the 469 miles spanning this scenic byway, has maintained it to a level of perfection that commands respect from park and recreation professionals nationwide; and

Whereas, the Blue Ridge Parkway, the roadside visitor centers along it, and its exhibits thematically address the stories of Appalachian Mountain culture that are the historic foundations of the United States of America; and

Whereas, the beauty of the meadowlands and mountains found along this great route with its panoramas and natural wonders touches our souls and inspires all who pass; and

Whereas, this route of transition has been preserved for 50 years and will continue as a landmark to be enjoyed by all for generations to come; and

Whereas, the Blue Ridge Parkway was commissioned under the administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt;

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

Section 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina pauses to recognize and honor the golden anniversary of the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Sec. 2. The General Assembly of North Carolina honors the memory of Franklin D. Roosevelt, under whose administration the Blue Ridge Parkway was commissioned.

Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 9th day of May, 1985.