

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE RESOLUTION 1175

Sponsors: Senators Harris; and Wellons.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

July 15, 1999

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF
2 BENSON'S MULE DAYS FESTIVAL.

3 Whereas, for many generations, agriculture has played a significant roll in the
4 economic well-being of this State, the Town of Benson, and the surrounding areas; and

5 Whereas, the Mule Days Festival began in 1949 when Benson citizens, Nowell
6 Smith and Willis McLamb, decided to honor the hardworking farmer and his most noble
7 asset, the mule; and

8 Whereas, for fifty years, the Town of Benson and surrounding communities
9 have honored the mule by observing the Mule Days Festival; and

10 Whereas, the Mule Days Festival has been an occasion to promote the farming
11 heritage of this State and of the Benson area; and

12 Whereas, the Mule Days Festival has become one of the most popular festivals
13 across the State and in the South; and

14 Whereas, the Town of Benson has proclaimed September 23-26, 1999, as the
15 fiftieth anniversary of the Mule Days Festival; Now, therefore,
16 Be it resolved by the Senate:

17 Section 1. The Senate commends the Benson Chamber of Commerce for
18 sponsoring the Mule Days Festival and salutes the many civic organizations for
19 participating in the Festival.

20 Section 2. The Senate joins the Town of Benson in celebrating the fiftieth
21 anniversary of the Mule Days Festival and encourages the people of this State to attend
22 this event.

- 1 Section 3. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution
2 to the Mayor of the Town of Benson.
3 Section 4. This resolution is effective upon adoption.