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RESOLUTION: JUSTICE IN NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS the moral tradition of the Christian Church has long stressed that each person be treated equally by the temporal powers administering society's laws, and

WHEREAS in many states and localities in the United States minorities have not always been protected by the law in the same manner as the majority population, and

WHEREAS the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960's successfully ended many of the existing inequities in many parts of the United States, and

WHEREAS one of the victims of this repression is Dr. James Grant, a native of Hartford, Connecticut,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the State of North Carolina be urged to grant bail to the Wilmington defendants, and that State Attorney Rufus T. Edminston support an appeal of their cases to the U.S. District Court, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Governor Holshouser be urged to grant executive clemency to Dr. Jim Grant, T. J. Reddy and Charles Parker, the Charlotte 3 defendants, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor of North Carolina, and to the two U.S. Senators and leaders of the General Assembly of that State; and that copies also be sent to the entire Connecticut Congressional delegation, and to the news media of our state.