

THE MECKLENBURG
DECLARATION
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A 200th anniversary is a very special time—for remembering—a heritage of struggles and events—of early settlers in a land they named for a queen—of hopes and dreams to live in freedom—a land where courage and strength were the sinews of the living.

This spirit of independence brought the pioneers of Mecklenburg across the seas and helped them establish their homesteads in Piedmont Carolina. Their determination to retain their independence banded them together in the month of May, 1775 to proclaim their freedom and produce a document known as the MECKLENBURG DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE of MAY 20, 1775.

Since that event historians, politicians, poets, journalists and ordinary citizens have debated and recorded their feelings and beliefs concerning the document and its authenticity. The bibliography which follows is a list of the materials (books, brochures, clippings and miscellanea) on this document that have been collected in the Carolina Room. We hope the list will facilitate research on this period of history as well as celebrate a birthday.

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