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Painting of David Settle Reid.
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The Washington Monument ^[2] in Washington, D.C., contains a block of North Carolina white marble ^[3] five feet long and three feet high bearing a sculptured bas-relief of the state seal ^[4] and the inscription "North Carolina Declaration of Independence ^[5], May 1775." It was presented to the Washington National Monument Society on 22 Feb. 1853 with a suitable address by Congressman David S. Reid ^[6] "in the presence of a numerous and distinguished company" gathered at the site. All 50 states, as well as many cities and patriotic organizations, have donated such memorial stones, which are located in the monument's interior.

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"RESOLUTIONS in relation to the block of marble presented by the citizens of Lincoln county ^[7] for the Washington Monument." *Laws of the State of North Carolina, passed by the General Assembly at the Session of 1850-'51* Raleigh [N.C.]" Star Office, T. J. Lemay. 1851. p.514. <https://cdm16062.contentdm.oclc.org/u/?p249901coll22,167612> ^[8]

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<https://digital.ncdcr.gov/Documents/Detail/papers-of-david-settle-reid-vol.-2/2149016?item=2231312> ^[9].

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Lincoln County ^[14]

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