THE HUNT RECORD

Economic Development

- -- Since 1977, recruited \$12.2 billion in industrial investment, meaning nearly 200,000 new industrial jobs for North Carolinians.
- -- Set up separate Cabinet-level department devoted solely to economic development.
- -- Created Microelectronics Center of North Carolina, providing \$41 million for development and operations, to serve as a magnet in the state's efforts to attract modern technology industries and jobs to the state. Already have successfully recruited General Electric's Microelectronics Center; Texas Instruments; Analog Devices; Verbatim; Mitsubishi Semiconductor America; GTE; and the headquarters of the microelectronics industry's research arm, the Semiconductor Research Corporation.
- -- Led industrial recruitment and trade missions to Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, China, Europe and California. Success of these missions is reflected by more than 200 industrial announcements, meaning \$1.1 billion in industrial investment and over 16,500 new jobs.
- -- Established a special small business development section in the Department of Commerce to provide special help to small businesses. Also created state Small Business Advocacy Council to advise Governor and the legislature.
- -- Increased profits more than tenfold at North Carolina's ports, with the Morehead City port making its first profit since 1967. Revenues at the ports are rising 4.5 percent a year, and tonnages are approaching record-breaking levels.
- -- Established North Carolina Biotechnology Center to foster biotechnology research in the state and attract biotechnology industries. Resulted in Ciba-Geigy's decision to locate a major center for biotechnology research in the Research Triangle Park.
- -- Promoted travel and tourism industry, now a \$3 billion industry in the state, by creating the Governor's Advisory Committee on Travel and Tourism and by increasing the state's advertising budget.
- -- Created North Carolina Film Office, resulting in the filming of five major movies in North Carolina. The industry now contributes about \$75 to \$100 million a year to state's economy.

- -- Began Small Community Economic Development Program to help small communities prepare for economic growth. Honored over 100 communities each year who successfully provided programs and resources needed for strong industrial recruitment.
- -- Designated the state's community college system as the "presumptive deliverer" of skills training. Increased funding for skills training, provided new equipment and established community college-based apprenticeship programs. Also developed closer working relationship between community colleges and the Department of Commerce to meet industry's training needs.
- -- Provided \$710 million in industrial revenue bonds to help existing industries expand.
- -- Conducted extensive export marketing study for furniture industry to help the industry tap new markets overseas.
- -- Gave financial support for repairs and renovations of North Carolina State University's School of Textiles.
- -- Provided \$300 million in highway construction bonds to promote economic development, by helping link the state's ports with the Piedmont, completing other east-west routes and providing access around big cities.
- -- Increased gasoline tax by three cents to maintain a strong transportation system and ensure continued economic growth.
- $-\!-$ Shifted emphasis from new construction of highways to better maintenance of already existing system. Resulted in paving of 8,000 miles in the last two years.

Education

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- -- Required annual student testing in the first, second, third, sixth and ninth grades to ensure students make good progress during school year. Students are now scoring above the national average in all subjects for the first time ever.
- -- Established Minimum Competency Test requiring all high school graduates to pass a test on basic skills of reading and math before receiving their diploma. Later added writing to skills required.
- -- Opened North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, nation's first public, residential high school for students gifted in science and math.

- -- Reduced high school dropout rate by 5,000 students a year, through emphasizing basic skills, skills training and alternative school programs.
- -- Began strong emphasis on skills training in junior and senior high schools and continuing in community colleges to better prepare students for good jobs.
- -- Served as chairman of Education Commission of the States and established a national Task Force on Education for Economic Growth which developed a national action plan for education.
- -- Established North Carolina Commission on Education for Economic Growth to determine further changes needed in public schools. Will focus on importance of education to strong economic growth.
- -- Began Principals Leadership Institute to help principals develop good management skills and learn new techniques.
- -- Established salary schedule for educators that encourages career commitment by educators.
- -- Initiated Adopt-a-School Programs across the state to encourage citizens and business to be more involved in their schools. More than 1,000 schools are now "adopted" by a local group or business.
- -- Began Community Schools Program to bring schools closer to the community. Opens libraries, classrooms and other school facilities to public use on nights and weekends.
- -- Began recognition awards program for excellent teachers and businesses who are involved in schools. North Carolina Business Committee for Math/Science Education will give the awards each year to reward teachers and businesses.
- -- Recognized model public school programs across the state as examples of excellence in the public schools.
- -- Began Quality Assurance Program to upgrade teacher training at the college level and stiffen the requirements of becoming a teacher.
- -- Developed new certification process to eliminate out-of-field teaching.
- -- Began employing a lead math or science teacher in high schools for an additional six weeks in the summer.
- -- Established summer institutes to provide additional training for junior high school science and math teachers.

-- Began experimental programs in two school systems lengthening the school year to 200 days and lengthening school day to seven hours.

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-- Increased high school graduation requirements from 18 units to 20 units.

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- -- Organized Department of Natural Resources and Community
 Development to enforce and develop environmental protection laws
 as well as to have responsibility for housing, job training and
 other areas affecting North Carolina's communities.
- -- Passed Clean Water Bond Act of 1977 providing \$230 million for wastewater treatment plants and water supply facilities.
- -- Developed comprehensive plan for dealing with hazardous wastes generated in the state.
- -- Adopted standards for hazardous waste landfills tougher than federal regulations.
- -- Developed and now implementing Chowan Water Quality Management Plan to help clean up the Chowan River.
- -- Led efforts to keep Virginia Beach from taking a single drop of water from Lake Gaston.
- -- Prevented sale of oil leases off North Carolina's coast that could have endangered fishing and tourism industries and the site of the U.S.S. Monitor Marine Sanctuary.
- -- Vigorously opposed proposals to place high-level nuclear waste dump in North Carolina.
- -- Worked continually to persuade federal government to help stabilize Oregon Inlet.
- -- Opposed leasing of wilderness areas in state's national forests for oil and gas exploration.
 - -- Opposed sale of National Forest Service land in North Carolina.
- -- Established standards for development and good land-use planning in 20 counties and 52 towns under the Coastal Area Management Act.
- -- Passed ridge law restricting development on mountaintops and protecting scenic beauty of Western North Carolina counties.

<u>Agriculture</u>

- -- Established and met regularly with the Governor's Advisory Committee on Agriculture, Forestry and the Seafood Industry to keep informed of needs of farmers and these industries.
- -- Led trade missions to Europe, Japan, South Korea and Taiwan promoting sale of North Carolina tobacco and other products overseas.
- -- Emphasized importance of North Carolina tobacco farmers' producing good quality tobacco.
- -- Co-sponsored Southern Governors' Association resolution opposing federal cigarette tax increase.
- -- Emphasized need for soil and water conservation and signed executive order to help protect prime farmland.
- -- Sponsored Southern Governors' Association resolution seeking emergency relief for farmers across the nation hurt by severe drought and led efforts to get assistance for North Carolina farmers.
- -- Worked closely with state Department of Agriculture, North Carolina Farm Bureau, the State Grange, commodity groups and other agribusiness groups to promote importance of agriculture's contributions to state's economy and to help the state's farmers and the industry as a whole.
 - -- Increased productivity of state's small woodlots, based on recommendations of the Governor's Advisory Task Force on Small Woodlots.

Government Management

- -- Signed an executive order first day in office establishing a code of ethics to avoid conflicts of interest and requiring top government officials to disclose their financial interests.
- -- Kept the growth of government at record low levels. Excluding education, the number of state employees has grown by only 1.7 percent in the last seven years -- just .24 percent a year. Even including education, the number has grown by just 1.4 percent a year, a total of 9.8 percent. Since 1977 the total state budget has grown by an average of only 1.7 percent a year, adjusted for inflation -- the lowest growth in spending in decades.

- -- Did not raise general taxes; supported only a three-cent increase in the gasoline tax which was essential to maintaining a strong transportation system and strong economic growth. Reduced taxes by increasing all personal exemptions and standard deduction by 10 percent and increasing other exemptions.
- -- Set affirmative action as a top priority. Made a series of "first" black appointments: first black Cabinet secretary; first black state personnel director; first black resident Superior Court judge, Court of Appeals judge and Supreme Court justice. Appointed three women to Cabinet secretary positions and increased the number of women officials and administrators by about 40 percent. The number of minority officials and administrators has almost doubled.
- -- Emphasized productivity by calling on each Cabinet department to appoint an Assistant Secretary for Productivity and establishing a Management Council made up of those assistant secretaries to review and make recommendations concerning productivity. Also instituted Work Planning/Performance Review program and state Incentive Pay Program to provide better evaluation and more incentives for employees.
- -- Inaugurated the Government Executives Institute to give special management training to top executives in state government, and the Public Managers Program to train mid-level government officials.
- -- Opened the state's first Western Governor's Office in Asheville to provide better communications between Raleigh and the West.
- -- Established Commission on the Future of North Carolina which sought public opinion and made recommendations on how North Carolina can best prepare for the future, setting a course for the state to follow through the year 2000.
- -- Created North Carolina Agency for Public Telecommunications to keep state government at the forefront of the telecommunications revolution.
- -- Became first Governor reelected to a second consecutive term, after voters in 1977 approved an amendment to the state Constitution permitting the governor and lieutenant governor to serve two consecutive terms.

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- -- Became the first Governor to deliver a special address on crime to each session of the General Assembly.
- -- Created Department of Crime Control and Public Safety to coordinate under one key department the various state agencies involved in fighting crime and providing for the public's safety.

- -- Enacted Safe Roads Act of 1983, the toughest anti-drunk driving law in the nation.
- -- Began more efforts to help the victim of crime, by moving restitution payments higher on the priority payment list of court-ordered fines and fees. Also passed the Restitution Act requiring the trial judge to decide in each case if a defendant sentenced to an active term should be required to make restitution and making it a condition for work release or parole.
- -- Created Rape Victim Assistance Program to pay immediate medical expenses for victims of rape or sexual assault.
- -- Reduced overcrowding in the prisons through new construction program and moving out prisoners eligible for release or parole and who were safe to society. Went from over 3,000 more inmates than the system was designed to accommodate in 1977 to 31 fewer inmates than capacity in 1983.
- -- Emphasized preventing juvenile crime by beginning one-on-one programs across the state that match an adult volunteer with a young person in trouble with the law. Also created Executive Cabinet on Juveniles and established community-based alternatives programs for young people on the verge of getting in trouble.
- -- Established more than 25 community-based, alternative punishment programs to help steer first offenders from a life of crime.
- -- Set up the Crime Prevention Division to lead the state's efforts to make communities safer places to live. Also created more than 12,000 Community Watch programs throughout the state to get citizens involved in crime prevention efforts.
- -- Ensured swifter and surer punishment of criminals through the Speedy Trials Act.
- -- Provided presumptive sentences for felony convictions through the Fair Sentencing Act.
 - -- Set harsh penalties for drug trafficking.
- -- Established mandatory sentences for armed robbery and for second offense breaking and entering.
- -- Created North Carolina Business Crime Watch involving several thousand businessmen in business crime prevention programs and involved nearly 200,000 young people in crime prevention efforts.

Citizen Involvement

- -- Set the example by spending an hour every week during the school year volunteering in the public schools -- helping a child learn to read, keeping a potential drop-out in school, counseling young people in high school.
- -- Created the Governor's Office of Citizen Affairs to encourage citizen involvement and volunteerism throughout the state. Now more than 70 percent of all adult North Carolinians do volunteer work.
- -- Volunteers now contributing nearly 60 million hours of work to state government a year, representing a dollar value of over \$300 million.
- -- Created Governor's Statewide Recognition of Volunteers program to give appropriate recognition to outstanding volunteers.

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- -- Reorganized Department of Human Resources placing emphasis on children, the elderly and alcoholism and drug abuse.
- -- Established a Division of Aging to coordinate programs for the elderly and to better provide for their needs.
- -- Developed comprehensive programs for the elderly such as senior centers, in-hone services and food programs.
- -- Created Nursing Home Patients' Bill of Rights and set up community advisory committees to work closer with nursing homes and respond better to problems.
- -- Lowered infant mortality rate by nearly 25 percent since 1976 through emphasizing infant screening and tracking program and perinatal care programs for high-risk expectant mothers.
- -- Provided for the first time state funds for child care and established a tax credit for child care.

Cultural Resources

- -- Established Governor's Business Council on the Arts and Humanities to promote more business support of the arts.
 - -- Dedicated new state Art Museum building.
- -- Began planning for North Carolina's 400th anniversary celebration, with the building of the Elizabeth II, a replica of a 16th century ship, at the heart of the celebration plans.
- -- Set up Grassroots Arts Program to support local arts programs in each county.

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