RESOLUTION FOR BILLY RAY BAILEY

WHEREAS, Billy Ray "B.R." Bailey was born on September 17, 1931 and raised at Cane River in Yancey County; and

WHEREAS, Billy Ray Bailey served honorably in the United States Army, becoming a veteran of the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Billy Ray Bailey educated generations of children from Yancey County during his 35 years of teaching. He served as a math teacher at Cane River High School and a drafting teacher at Mountain Heritage High School. He taught hard work, dedication, leadership and to believe and trust in high moral and spiritual standards; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey was also the advisor over the VICA Club, an organization helping students develop skills for a rewarding career; and

WHEREAS, Billy Ray Bailey served as Sunday School Superintendent at Cane River Baptist Church where he was a lifelong member and taught a Sunday School Class for teenage kids. He also served on the Board of Deacons for 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey was duly elected by the citizens of Yancey County to serve in the Office of Commissioner for the Yancey County Board of Commissioners for five terms; and

WHEREAS, until his death in 2012, Mr. Bailey stood as a pillar of the Yancey County community, representing the ideals that the citizens of Yancey County hold true; and

WHEREAS, the Yancey County Board of Commissioners request to name the S.R. 1379 Bridge #134 in Yancey County west of Burnsville in honor of Billy Ray Bailey.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

Hed Curran Chairman

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names Bridge #134 on Whittington Road (S.R.1379) over the Cane River in Yancey County as the *Billy R. Bailey Bridge*.

That appropriate signs will be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fifth day of May 2016 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation