

Approval – Resolution for Captain Jeffrey Scott Bowen

Upon a recommendation by the Road Naming Committee, a motion was made by Board Member Proffitt, seconded by Board Member Burrell, to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Captain Jeffrey Scott Bowen, a 13-year veteran of the Asheville Fire Department, was killed in the line of duty on July 28, 2011 while responding to a four-alarm fire at an office building in Asheville; and

WHEREAS, Captain Jeffrey Scott Bowen was first assigned as a firefighter to Engineer Company 1, then promoted to Fire Engineer of Engine Company 7, then promoted to Lieutenant and later promoted to Captain of Rescue Company 3; and

WHEREAS, Captain Jeffrey Scott Bowen was the coordinator of the rescue boat for the Asheville Police Department’s Back to Basics Program, which serves the youth of the community; and

WHEREAS, Captain Jeffrey Scott Bowen was a member of the Asheville Fire Department Promotional Criteria Committee and received a bachelor’s degree in 2010 in Fire Safety and Management; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Captain Jeffrey Scott Bowen brought honor to the City of Asheville and Buncombe County and had his life tragically cut short leaving behind family, friends and co-workers; and

WHEREAS, the N.C. State Fire Marshall, Asheville Fire Department, Buncombe County Fire Fighters Association, Buncombe County Fire Chief’s Association, as well as many others, request to have the Smoky Park Bridge renamed in his honor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation dedicates the Smoky Park Bridge, as the **Capt. Jeffrey Bowen Bridge**.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fifth day of April 2012 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Chairman


Secretary of Transportation