RESOLUTION FOR COMMANDER FRANK C. ELKINS

WHEREAS, Commander Frank C. Elkins was born and reared in Bladenboro in Bladen County; and

WHEREAS, Commander Elkins was a Navy pilot who served for the United States of America during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Commander Elkins was shot down during combat in the skies over North Vietnam and subsequently listed as Missing In Action (MIA); and

WHEREAS, the Bladenboro Board of Commissioners and the Bladen County Board of Commissioners requested the N.C. Board of Transportation honor Commander Elkins.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation name the N.C. 211 Bypass of Bladenboro the *Commander Frank C. Elkins Memorial Bypass* for his courage and sacrifice that embodied the finest qualities of the American national character.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fourth day of March 1999, by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation

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