

Approval – Resolution for David W. And Frank W. Swan

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

WHEREAS, David W. and Frank W. Swan were born in Ansonville, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, in 1919 David W. and Frank W. Swan moved to Andrews, North Carolina with their parents and siblings; and

WHEREAS, David W. Swan was a businessman, lumberman, timber cruiser and farmer, he also managed and owned large tracts of land in Graham and Cherokee Counties; and

WHEREAS, David W. Swan and his wife’s family purchased several thousand acres of timber land on the North Carolina side of what is now the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and donated several thousand acres of the land to the park; and

WHEREAS, David W. Swan was a former representative for Cherokee County to the North Carolina General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, David W. Swan served on the Andrews School Board, was a director of the Andrews Building and Loan Association, was a Mason, served as a steward of the Andrews United Methodist Church, was a member of the men’s Sunday school class and played on the Andrews baseball team; and

WHEREAS, Frank W. Swan worked in various lumber camps and the coal mines in West Virginia while also working with his brother in building a hunting preserve on Hooper’s Bald in Graham County, where he oversaw the moving of many game animals from Murphy and Andrews to Hooper’s Bald; and

WHEREAS, Frank W. Swan was a member of Battery B Tennessee National Guard and during World War I, he formed a cavalry troop in Andrews for the North Carolina National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Frank W. Swan was an official advisor for Veterans Affairs to the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians and also a major advisor to veterans in western North Carolina and served his community in many areas of service; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners respectfully request that David and Frank Swan be honored by the naming of a bridge in Andrews, North Carolina in their memory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the bridge on US 19/74 over Junaluska Creek in Andrews as the **David & Frank Swan Bridge**.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the sixth day of December 2012 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Chairman


Secretary of Transportation