

RESOLUTION FOR DEPUTY RUSSELL E. GILLIAM

WHEREAS, Russell E. Gilliam was born October 7, 1918 near, Louisburg in Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, Russell E. Gilliam attended Sandy Creek School in Franklin County and served four and one-half years in the United States Army during World War II; and

WHEREAS, in 1945, following his discharge from the United States Army, Russell E. Gilliam moved to Middlesex in Nash County; and

WHEREAS, Russell E. Gilliam served as Chief of Police for the citizens of Middlesex from 1957 to 1964; and

WHEREAS, Russell E. Gilliam became a deputy with the Nash County Sheriff's Office in 1964; and

WHEREAS, Russell E. Gilliam was active in many civic organizations and was a member of the Middlesex Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 1975, Deputy Russell E. Gilliam was killed in the line of duty while serving the citizens of Nash County; and

WHEREAS, the Nash County Board of Commissioners, the Nash County Emergency Services, and the Nash County Sheriff's Office requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor Deputy Russell E. Gilliam.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the bridge on N.C. 231 over U.S. 264 at Middlesex in Nash County the *Deputy Russell E. Gilliam Memorial Bridge* for his dedication and selfless sacrifice to the citizens of Middlesex and Nash County.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the third day of October 2002 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Secretary of Transportation