

1940; and many improvements and upgrades to the water and sewer collection lines of the town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners and Town of Andrews requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor Ty Burnette for his years of dedication and tireless service to the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation name Bridge Number 141 located on State Road 1388 over the Valley River in Cherokee County, as the ***Ty Burnette Bridge***.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fourth day of February 2010 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary of Transportation

**Approval – Resolution for Dr. Calvin Jones**

Upon a recommendation from the Road Naming Committee a motion was made by Board Member Watts, which was seconded by Board Member Collier to approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Calvin Jones was a North Carolina physician and part of the group of founders of the North Carolina Medical Society; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jones served as a trustee of the University of North Carolina from 1802 until 1832; elected to the North Carolina House of Commons in 1799 & 1802 and was the mayor of Raleigh; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jones was owner of a 615-acre plantation in northern Wake County where most of the Town of Wake Forest sits today. He became the postmaster for the area in 1823 and began heading his correspondence as coming from “Wake Forest”. In 1832, the North Carolina

Baptist Convention purchased the plantation and it became the home of Wake Forest College in 1834, which was the first institution of higher learning in Wake County; and

**WHEREAS**, in February 1834, the college opened to young men having 72 students enrolled by the end of the first year. The first classes were held in the Dr. Calvin Jones House, which also served as the home of the first college president. Shortly after the end of World War II, the college moved to Winston-Salem; and

**WHEREAS**, the Southern Baptist Convention located its new seminary, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and shared the campus with the college until it moved in 1956. The Dr. Calvin Jones House was then donated by the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary to the Wake Forest College Birthplace Society and moved to North Main Street. Restored to its original appearance, the house was opened in 1979 as a museum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Wake Forest requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor Dr. Calvin Jones for his many contributions to his community and state.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation dedicate the N.C. 98 Bypass in the town limits of Wake Forest as the ***Dr. Calvin Jones Highway***.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fourth day of February 2010 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary of Transportation

**Chairman's Comments**

As you have or will quickly learn, service on this Board comes with considerable personal expense, frequent inconvenience, questions about our actions and motivations and occasional blame for outcomes that we had no prior knowledge of or input about. This is part of the consequences we receive for service on what many believe is the most prestigious and influential Board in our state. Others no doubt have a different view.

We owe it to the citizens we serve, to our state and to ourselves to accept and exercise the authority and responsibility placed on us by the law and the oath we took when we were appointed to never become simply a rubber stamp for whatever is placed before us. We must do all we reasonably can to educate ourselves about the issues and policies before us and ask tough and hard questions about things we don't understand, have questions about or disagree with. We must bring some degree of common sense and practicality to the temptations of a one size fits approach that too often is viewed as the only resolution of many issues.

Gene and Jim told you yesterday about the approach we have discussed as a part of the transportation reform to assist our Board in being more effective and efficient in carrying out our legal obligations and responsibilities. We are all in accord that a better planned meeting and