RESOLUTION FOR DR. GEORGE L. EDWARDS, JR.

WHEREAS, Dr. George L. Edwards, Jr., founder of Affordable Care, opened the first business as Affordable Dentures in 1975 in Kinston, where the company's headquarters are still located; and

WHEREAS, Dr. George L. Edwards, Jr. and his partner saw an enormous patient need as they provided treatment in their general dentistry practice; and

WHEREAS, it has grown into a network of almost 200 affiliated practices operating in 40 states and is now the largest and fastest growing denture-service provider in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Affordable Dentures employs over 150 individuals in Lenoir County; and

WHEREAS, Dr. George L. Edwards, Jr.'s contributions to individuals who could not afford dental care have been tremendous and the economic impact to his community and the State of North Carolina is immeasurable; and

WHEREAS, the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners desires to dedicate a bridge in honor of Dr. George L. Edwards, Jr.

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names bridge number 201, located over Industrial Drive, directly behind Affordable Dentures, as the *Dr. George L. Edwards, Jr. Bridge*.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the sixth day of February 2014 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

aunan

Chairman

Secretary of Transportation