RESOLUTION FOR ENG AND CHANG BUNKER

WHEREAS, Eng and Chang Bunker came to the United States from Siam and settled in the White Plains area of Surry County in 1844; and

WHEREAS, Eng and Chang Bunker became known nationally and internationally as the "original" Siamese Twins; and

WHEREAS, Eng and Chang Bunker reared 21 children between them and founded one of Surry County's best known families; and

WHEREAS, Eng and Chang Bunker died at White Plains in 1874 and are buried at the cemetery there; and

WHEREAS, Eng and Chang Bunker bridged cultural gaps and overcame physical disabilities to become a well-known part of Surry County's heritage; and

WHEREAS the Surry County Board of Commissioners asked the North Carolina Department of Transportation to honor Eng and Chang Bunker.

Now, Therefore, Be IT Resolved:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the bridge on U.S. 601 over Stewarts Creek in Surry County the *Eng and Chang Bunker Memorial Bridge* to honor their courage and determination that has proved an inspiration to those struggling to overcome physical disabilities.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the first day of December 2000 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation