

RESOLUTION FOR PETE FENSEL

WHEREAS, Francis Pete Fensel moved to Wilmington during Hurricane Hazel in 1954; and

WHEREAS, Francis Pete Fensel owned and operated a mill supply business on U.S. 421 and was one of Wilmington's most active civic leaders; and

WHEREAS, Francis Pete Fensel provided leadership to the Committee of 100, the North Carolina Azalea Festival, the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, the New Hanover Regional Medical Center and the Greater Wilmington Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Francis Pete Fensel was a staunch supporter of bringing Interstate 40 to the area - spending many hours pushing for the construction of this highway so vital to the economy of Wilmington and New Hanover County; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington City Council and the New Hanover County Board of Commissioners requested the N.C. Board of Transportation to honor Francis Pete Fensel.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation name U.S. 421 from the Pender County line to the Cape Fear River Bridge the Francis Pete Fensel Highway to honor this long-time Wilmington resident for service to his community.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the sixth day of September 1996, by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation

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