

September 8, 1978 Meeting

Accordingly, a motion was made by Board Member Bumgardner, seconded by Board Member Thomas, and the vote was unanimous that the Board allocate \$1,000 from Statewide Primary Construction Funds for this meritorious award.

64 Adoption - Resolution Designating Bridge on NC 581, over US 264 in Nash County, the GEORGE WASHINGTON FINCH BRIDGE

On a motion by Board Member Herring, which was seconded by Board Member Thomas, the Board unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, The Nash County Board of Commissioners on July 3, 1978, unanimously passed a resolution requesting the Board of Transportation to designate the bridge on NC 581 over US 264 the GEORGE WASHINGTON FINCH BRIDGE; and

"WHEREAS, Mr. Finch was a community leader and outstanding citizen of Nash County and North Carolina; and

"WHEREAS, George Washington Finch and his wife, Priscilla Pendergraff Finch, were active in community religious activities and founded their community's church; and

"WHEREAS, Mr. George Washington Finch was a pioneer landowner in Nash County and on his estate is located the bridge on NC 581 over US 264:

"NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED That the bridge on NC 581 north of Bailey over US 264 be designated as the

GEORGE WASHINGTON FINCH BRIDGE in memorial to Mr. George Washington Finch; and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That appropriate signs be placed at the bridge so designating the GEORGE WASHINGTON FINCH BRIDGE."

Approval - Allocation of Funds to Support AASHTO's Development of Roadway Design System

Administrator Rose advised the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials has agreed to provide assistance in a coordinated effort of ten states and the Federal Highway Administration to manage and coordinate the computer software package known as the Roadway Design System. He advised the Roadway Design System consists of computer programs, associated documentation, and methods and procedures to obtain optimal cost-effective use of the automatic data processing equipment in the highway design process. Too, he noted many of the support tasks for this system requires experienced professional expertise in engineering, computer technology, etc, and many are the same for all users, and through a properly coordinated effort can be performed once for all users by a single agency and each state participating in the coordinated effort would share equally in the cost, which would provide support service at a lower cost than would be possible through independent efforts by each state.

Based on the number of participating agencies, the cost for each state for the first year is \$15,000, and Mr. Rose