

RESOLUTION FOR GOVERNOR JOHN MOTLEY MOREHEAD

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WHEREAS, John Motley Morehead served two terms as Governor of North Carolina (1841 – 1845) and under his leadership a unified system of transportation was developed to encourage trade and travel; and

WHEREAS, John Motley Morehead was the founder and first president of the North Carolina Railroad and personally encouraged the development of a rail system which promoted industrial development throughout North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Blandwood, Governor Morehead's restored 19th century Italian villa home, an architectural treasure of historical significance, is located in the heart of downtown Greensboro; and

WHEREAS, this national historic landmark has been carefully restored through the efforts of the Greensboro Preservation Society, Incorporated and is now open to the public; and

WHEREAS, 1996 will mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of Governor John Motley Morehead.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation name a portion of U.S. 220, Freeman Mill Road and Edgeworth Street from the existing city limits of Greensboro to Washington Street the *Governor John Motley Morehead Expressway* to commemorate the 200th anniversary of his birth.

That the North Carolina Department of Transportation erect appropriate signs at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the twelfth day of April 1996 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation