

Approval – Resolution for Jerome C. Davis

Upon a recommendation from the Road Naming Committee, a motion was made by Board Member Kindley and seconded by Board Member Erby to approve the following:

WHEREAS, Jerome C. Davis of Archdale won the 1995 Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association World Champion Bull Rider award; and

WHEREAS, Jerome C. Davis achieved this prestigious designation after only four years as a professional bull rider; and

WHEREAS, Jerome C. Davis was the first person east of the Mississippi River to achieve this designation; and

WHEREAS, This accomplishment brought recognition not only to Jerome C. Davis but to all of Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Jerome C. Davis was paralyzed from the chest down because of an injury; and

WHEREAS, in spite of this injury Jerome C. Davis continues to be active in his sport, becoming a mentor to and inspiring local youth; and

WHEREAS, for the last four years Jerome C. Davis has organized the Annual Coca-Cola Jerome Davis Professional Bull Riding Invitational Rodeo at his ranch in Archdale. Professional bull riders and spectators from around the world participate in this event, which continues to bring more recognition to Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation to honor Jerome C. Davis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the section of U.S. 311 from Cedar Square Road (Secondary Road 1928) in Glenola to Banner Whitehead Road (Secondary Road 1931) in Randolph County the **Jerome C. Davis Highway** for his courage and the inspiration he provides to persons with disabilities.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the sixth day of March 2003 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Secretary of Transportation