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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Craven County and the Board of Aldermen of the City of New Bern have passed resolutions requesting the Board of Transportation to name the bridge over the Neuse River on US 17 at New Bern the **JOHN LAWSON BRIDGE;** and

WHEREAS, Surveyor General John Lawson was an early explorer in the new world and specifically his explorations in Central and Eastern North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, In September of 1710, he accompanied the first Europeans to set foot on the banks of the Neuse and Trent Rivers and established a settlement now known as New Bern; and

WHEREAS, John Lawson spent considerable time surveying shorter transportation routes between early American colonies and pioneered better transportation for the region:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED **That the bridge over the Neuse River on US 17 at New Bern in Craven County be named the JOHN LAWSON BRIDGE** in memorial to Surveyor General John Lawson; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That an appropriate sign be placed at each end of the bridge so designating the JOHN LAWSON BRIDGE.

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