

RESOLUTION FOR MARVIN RAPER

WHEREAS, Marvin Raper graduated from Murphy High School in Murphy, NC in 1963 and attended Clarksville Trade School studying masonry contracting; and

WHEREAS, in 1971 Marvin and his wife, Terri, opened Stout Realty in Andrews, NC and later sold it to open Raper's Market; and

WHEREAS, Marvin, along with his brothers, opened Raper Realty, Inc. in Murphy; and

WHEREAS, Marvin used his masonry skills to help build foundations for several churches in the community and also worked with Habitat for Humanity; and

WHEREAS, Marvin was appointed by Governor Jim Hunt as a board member to the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and served in that position for four years; and

WHEREAS, while a board member, Marvin was instrumental in numerous landscaping projects in and around Cherokee County; and

WHEREAS, Marvin was instrumental in expediting the construction of US 64 East from Murphy to Peachtree. He also worked hard for and obtained the upgrading of NC 60 from a narrow two-lane highway to the current four-lane highway, with a center turn lane; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners request naming a bridge in honor and memory of Marvin Raper.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the bridge on NC 60 over Nottley River in Cherokee County as the *Marvin Raper Bridge*.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fourth day of September 2014 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Chairman


Secretary of Transportation