

## RESOLUTION FOR NELLO LEGUY TEER

**WHEREAS**, Nello Leguy Teer was born August 24, 1888. on a farm in Durham County; and

**WHEREAS**, despite the lack of a formal education and the loss of his hand when he was a boy, Mr. Teer's strong desire to succeed allowed him to establish the Nello L. Teer Company in 1909; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning with a few mules and a few men, Mr. Teer built an international company that constructed sections of North Carolina's Blue Ridge Parkway and Strategic Air Command bases in North Africa. The Teer Company also played a major role in the development of Research Triangle Park in Wake and Durham counties; and

**WHEREAS**, in the 1920's, Mr. Teer was instrumental in helping establish the North Carolina State Highway Commission which was responsible for North Carolina's reputation as the "Good Roads State"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Durham County Board of Commissioners requested the N.C. Board of Transportation honor Mr. Teer.

### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names U.S. 501 (Roxboro Road) in Durham County from north of Interstate 85 to the Person County line the *Nello L. Teer Highway* for his invaluable contributions to his community, state, nation and world.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the second day of October 1998, by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

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Secretary of Transportation