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REVEREND DOCTOR HOWARD L. MITCHELL

WHEREAS, the Reverend Doctor Howard L. Mitchell was a respected and admired citizen in the communities of Gates and Hertford Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Mitchell was considered one of the most outstanding leaders in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Mitchell served as a trustee of Shaw University; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Mitchell served as minister of the Mill Neck Baptist Church for more than 30 years and in the New Hope Baptist Church for many vears; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Mitchell served those communities in various other capacities too numerous to list; and

WHEREAS, these years have been marked by exemplary dedication to the best interest of the community, as he worked for the betterment of the economic, cultural and aesthetic development; and

WHEREAS, he justly earned the respect, admiration and high regard of all with whom he came in contact, and these communities have sustained a great loss in his death; and

WHEREAS, the Boards of Commissioners for Gates and Hertford Counties both wish to recognize the contributions of the Reverend Doctor H.L. Mitchell to their region by dedicating N.C. 37 from Gatesville to the intersection with N.C. 32; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Mitchell's family was reared on this road, and he lived there until his death:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

That N.C. 37 from Gatesville to the intersection with N.C. 32 - an 8 mile section- in Gates County, is hereby dedicated in honor of the Reverend Doctor Howard L. Mitchell in recognition of his many contributions to Gates and Hertford Counties.

That the N.C. Department of Transportation erect appropriate signs for such dedication.

Adopted this 12th day of July 1991.

Secretary of Transportation