

A Resolution for the Richard B. Humphrey Bridge

Whereas, the late Richard B. Humphrey was born in Robeson County, and was a lifelong resident of the state of North Carolina; and

Whereas, Richard B. Humphrey was bequeathed by his father, at the age of three, over 1,000 acres of land; and

Whereas, Richard B. Humphrey adroitly managed his resources; and

Whereas, Richard B. Humphrey in the last years of his short life accumulated nearly 4,000 acres of land; and

Whereas, Richard B. Humphrey just seven months before his 29th birthday died during the typhoid epidemic in 1846; and

Whereas, Richard B. Humphrey left his entire estate to his only surviving daughter Ann Eliza, who married Dr. Warren Williams; and

Whereas, the Humphrey-Williams Estate is recognized by the USDA as a National Bicentennial Farm; and

Whereas, the Humphrey-Williams House is listed in the National Register; and

Whereas, the Richard B. Humphrey Bridge would complement the preservation efforts of the historic site.

Now therefore, be it hereby resolved that:

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1. The bridge across Raft Swamp on NC 211 six miles north of Lumberton be named the "Richard B. Humphrey Bridge" in honor of this gentleman.

2. That the North Carolina Department of Transportation is ordered to erect appropriate signs at a suitable time.

This 6th day of December, 1990.