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## RESOLUTION FOR "RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT BYPASS"

WHEREAS, Richard Dobbs Spaight was born in 1758 in Craven County, North Carolina; died in 1802 and is buried in Craven County near James City; and

WHEREAS, He served as an aide to Major General Richard Caswell in the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, He was a Representative of the Borough of New Bern for five terms and of Craven County for four terms in the North Carolina General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, He was Speaker of the House of Commons and State Senator for two terms; and

WHEREAS, He was a member of the Continental Congress and of the Fifth and Sixth Congresses of the United States; and

WHEREAS, He was a delegate to the Federal Constitutional Convention of 1787 and of the North Carolina Ratification Convention of 1788; and

WHEREAS, He was Governor of the State of North Carolina for three terms; and

WHEREAS, He was the first native of North Carolina to hold the Office of Governor; and

WHEREAS, He was mortally wounded in a political duel in 1802; and

WHEREAS, The life and contributions of Richard Dobbs Spaight have historical significance in both Craven County and the State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, The Craven County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Alderman of the City of New Bern support said designation; and

WHEREAS, Board of Transportation Member Randy D. Doub, representing Division II, supports said designation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the US 70 Bypass in Craven County at New Bern from the intersection of US 70 Business - Glenburnie Road to the intersection of US 70 Business on the east side of the Trent River at James City, is hereby designated the "Richard Dobbs Spaight Bypass."

2. The Department of Transportation is hereby authorized to erect appropriate signs for this designation.

This the 4 day of Sept, 1986

James E. Harrington, Chairman  
North Carolina Board of  
Transportation