

**Approval – Resolution for Sam Erby Jr.**

Upon a recommendation from the Road Naming Committee, a motion was made by Board Member Lakey and seconded by the entire Board to approve the following:

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. was born April 20, 1946 in Richmond County, North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. was a member of the United States Marine Corps from 1964 – 1968 serving two tours of duty in Vietnam;

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. was a member of the North Carolina Highway Patrol from 1969 - 1975 and served the citizens of Ashe, Watauga, Caldwell and Orange counties; and

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. was an officer with the North Carolina Department of Revenue from 1975 - 1984 and was an investigator with the State Bureau of Investigation from 1984 - 1986; and

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. served as Deputy Commissioner of Insurance from 1986 until he was appointed to the North Carolina Board of Transportation in July 1996 by former Governor James B. Hunt Jr. He was re-appointed by Governor Mike Easley in 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. represented the citizens of Division 11 with honor and distinction until his retirement from the board in February 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, Sam Erby Jr. has served on many state and local boards and commissions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Caldwell County Board of Commissioners, the Lenoir City Council, the Granite Falls Town Council and the Caldwell County Economic Development Council requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor their local Board of Transportation member.

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

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation dedicates the Lenoir Southwest Loop from U.S. 321 to N.C. 18/U.S. 64 as the **Sam Erby Jr. Highway** for his untiring dedication to the citizens of his community, state and nation.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the seventh day of July by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.