

RESOLUTION

North Carolina Department of Transportation

RESOLUTION FOR "SAM J. ERVIN, JR. HIGHWAY"

WHEREAS, Sam J. Ervin, Jr. was born in Morganton, Burke County, North Carolina on September 22, 1896; and

WHEREAS, Sam J. Ervin, Jr. volunteered for the Armed Forces in May 1917, fought for his country in World War I, and was awarded the Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross and the Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, Sam J. Ervin, Jr. served in the North Carolina General Assembly during the 1923, 1925 and 1931 sessions; and

WHEREAS, Sam J. Ervin, Jr. served a Superior Court Judge for 1937 to 1943 and was an Associate Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court from 1948 to 1954; and

WHEREAS, Sam J. Ervin, Jr. was appointed to the United States Senate in North Carolina in 1954 and served the people of North Carolina in that capacity until 1974; and

WHEREAS, Sam J. Ervin, Jr. was an author and distinguished constitutional lawyer; and

WHEREAS, Board of Transportation Member Ted Smith and the Burke County Board of Commissioners support the designation of NC-18 through Burke County as the "Sam J. Ervin, Jr. Highway;" and

WHEREAS, Sam J. Ervin, Jr. during his lifetime made significant contributions to the State of North Carolina and to his nation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That NC-18 through Burke County, from the Caldwell County line on the North to the Lincoln County line on the South is hereby designated the "Sam J. Ervin, Jr. Highway."

2. That the Department of Transportation erect appropriate signs for such designation.

This the 14th day of November, 1986.