

RESOLUTION FOR SENATOR JAMES S. FORRESTER, MD

WHEREAS, James S. Forrester served eight terms as a member of the North Carolina Senate, retired as a Brigadier General from the United States Air Force and the North Carolina Air National Guard. He also served as a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians, a Fellow of the American College of Preventive Medicine, an Associate Fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association and a member of the Christian Medical Dental Society; and

WHEREAS, James S. Forrester received his B.S. from Wake Forest University and his M.D. from Wake Forest University School of Medicine, interned at N.C. Baptist Hospital and completed a Masters of Public Health at UNC Chapel Hill. He was also a graduate of the Air War College and is Board Certified in Family Practice and Preventive Medicine; and

WHEREAS, James S. Forrester's medical pursuits and his patriotic nature converged and offered him a vast multitude of opportunities. He was the recipient of several Military Service Awards; and

WHEREAS, James S. Forrester served the Town of Stanley as a practicing physician for over 42 years, served as the East Gaston High School Team Physician for 20 years and served as a Member, Trustee and Deacon at First Baptist Church in Stanly. His willingness to contribute to the medical community, county and state presented him with opportunities to serve as president or a board member of some of the most prestigious organizations in the community where he was honored with a proliferation of Community Service Awards; and

WHEREAS, James S. Forrester prepared for a role in politics and in 1982 was elected Gaston County Commissioner from Riverbend Township, a post he held for eight years and served as Board Chairman his final year. In 1991 he was elected as a State Senator where he introduced 30 legislative bills which are now law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Stanley and the Gaston County Board of Commissioners desire to honor the memory of his distinguished service as a doctor, a military officer, a County Commissioner, a North Carolina Senator and a true friend to all that knew him.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation name a 5 mile portion of NC 27 through the Town of Stanley in Gaston County as the ***Sen. James S. Forrester, MD Highway***.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fourth day of June 2015 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Chairman


Secretary of Transportation