

Additional Business

Approval – Resolution for Sergeant Jeff Hewitt

Upon a recommendation of the Road Naming Committee, a motion was made by Board Member Thornburg and seconded by Board Member Cowell to approve the following:

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jeff Hewitt was a member of the Sheriff's Emergency Response Team and a six-year veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving as a sergeant with the Military Police during Operation Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jeff Hewitt was an 11-year veteran of the Buncombe County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jeff Hewitt traveled N.C. 146 (Long Shoals Road) protecting the citizens of Buncombe County; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jeff Hewitt was fatally wounded by a shotgun blast after being ambushed as he and other members of the Sheriff's Office approached a respondent's residence; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jeff Hewitt died on April 4, 2007 in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor Sergeant Jeff Hewitt as a constant reminder of the ultimate sacrifice he made in order to ensure a better quality of life for the citizens of Buncombe County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation dedicates the bridge on N.C. 146 (Long Shoals Road) over the French Broad River in Buncombe County as the ***Sergeant Jeff Hewitt Bridge***.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fourth day of October 2007 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Chairman


Secretary of Transportation