RESOLUTION FOR SISTER L. JOHN MEEHAN

WHEREAS, Sister Loretto John Meehan (Sr. John), a member of the Sisters of Charity of New York, has worked as a visiting nurse among the people of Clay and Cherokee counties in North Carolina for the past 30 years; and

WHEREAS, she has ministered to the physical and spiritual needs of countless patients and families who received care in their homes; and

WHEREAS, Sr. John has inspired and comforted scores of staff members with whom she has worked at the Good Shepherd Home Health and Hospice Agency; and

WHEREAS, during these three decades, she traveled by automobile approximately half a million miles in all seasons to administer care to the sick and dying; and

WHEREAS, Sr. John has been further involved in community service through her role as Chaplain of the Civitan Club which has recognized her for outstanding achievement and unselfish service to the betterment of the local community; and

WHEREAS, Sr. John has been called to serve in her religious community in New York State; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee and Clay County Boards of Commissioners, the Murphy Town Board of Commissioners, the Hayesville Town Council and the Murphy Medical Center Staff have all passed resolutions asking the North Carolina Department of Transportation to honor Sr. John Meehan.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the bridge on U.S. 64 over the Hiawassee River that divides Clay and Cherokee counties the *Sister L. John Meehan Bridge* for her compassion and unselfish devotion to the citizens of Clay and Cherokee counties.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fourth day of August 2000 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation