

**Approval – Resolution for Swain’s Cut Bridge**

Upon a recommendation from the Road Naming Committee a motion was made by Board Member Alford, which was seconded by Board Member Wall to approve the following:

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Oak Island supported the construction of a second bridge spanning over the Intracoastal Waterway providing passage to and from the coastal town; and

**WHEREAS**, history plays an important role when naming landmarks and significant structures which benefit the citizens and visitors of towns and cities across North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, land grants were received by descendants of the Tom Swain family, who are residents of Swain Drive in Oak Island, from the King of England for acreage in what is now the west end of the Island; and

**WHEREAS**, in the 1930s the Corps of Engineers cut through the property then owned by Grover Cleveland Swain and brothers Preston and Roger, to construct the Intracoastal Waterway, with the area being referred to as “Swain’s Cut”; and

**WHEREAS**, this particular phase of the Corps of Engineers project actually formed an island with a portion now known as Oak Island; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Oak Island requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation name the new bridge to Oak Island as the “Swain’s Cut Bridge.”

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

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation name the new Oak Island Bridge, in Brunswick County, as the **Swain’s Cut Bridge**.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fifth day of August 2010 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary of Transportation