

## **RESOLUTION FOR THE AIRBORNE AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS HIGHWAY**

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is the home state for a significant share of the military forces of the United States and is known as the most military friendly state; and

**WHEREAS**, the greater Fayetteville community is the proud home of more than 57,000 military personnel and 23,000 family members; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the greater Fayetteville community have a long and proud history, dating to this country's birth, of paying special honor and respect to its sons and daughters who protect our country's freedoms and, as a community, stand strong in unified support of our airborne and special operation soldiers of Fort Bragg and Pope Army Airfield; and

**WHEREAS**, the airborne and special operations forces are a critical component of national defense and will deploy anywhere with little warning; and

**WHEREAS**, the soldiers of the airborne and special operations forces have made countless contributions to our Nation through commitment, courage, dedication, heroism, sacrifice and service; and

**WHEREAS**, I-295 is critical to post security, will improve deployment of soldiers and equipment to port and will enhance the mobility and readiness of Fort Bragg; and

**WHEREAS**, I-295 will provide a vital interstate connection to I-95 for a total distance of 24.75 miles from I-95 to US 401, Raeford Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fayetteville City Council requests to name this portion of I-295 as the Airborne and Special Operations Highway.

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

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the portion of I-295 from I-95 to US 401, Raeford Road, as *The Airborne and Special Operations Highway*.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the tenth day of July 2014 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary of Transportation