RESOLUTION FOR STATE HIGHWAY PATROL TROOPER DAVID B. SEARCY

WHEREAS, David B. Searcy was born June 11, 1923, in Rutherford County, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, David B. Searcy served in the United States Army Air Corps as a radio operator in the Philippines from July 1942 through January 1946; and

WHEREAS, David B. Searcy was employed as a radio operator by the North Carolina State Highway Patrol in March 1946; and

WHEREAS, David B. Searcy graduated from the North Carolina State Highway Patrol Academy in 1954 and was stationed in Catawba County as a Highway Patrolman; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 1960, while assisting a fellow highway patrolman whose vehicle had broken down on U.S. 70 in Catawba County, Trooper David B. Searcy was killed, when his patrol cruiser was struck by a tractor trailer; and

WHEREAS, the Catawba County Board of Commissioners, the Hickory City Council, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, the North Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Association, and the North Carolina Troopers Association have asked the North Carolina Department of Transportation to honor Trooper David B. Searcy.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the bridge on McDonald Parkway over Interstate 40 in Hickory the *Trooper David B. Searcy Memorial Bridge* for his dedicated service to his fellow highway patrolmen, his community and his state.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the eighth day of November 2001 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation