

**Whereas**, L. Berge Beam Sr. was involved in various civic organizations and was elected attorney for the Lincoln County Board of Education and served two terms as solicitor of the Lincoln County Recorder's Court; and

**Whereas**, L. Berge Beam Sr. died suddenly of a heart attack on March 30, 1954; and

**Whereas**, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor L. Berge Beam Sr. as an outstanding educator and community servant.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:**

That the North Carolina board of Transportation dedicated N.C. 150 from the Gaston County line to west of Indian Creek in Lincoln County as the ***L. Berge Beam Sr. Highway***.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the seventh day of December 2006 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

**Approval – Resolution for Trooper George C. Penn**

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

**Whereas**, George C. Penn was a native of and lived and worked in Buncombe County; and

**Whereas**, George C. Penn served honorably as a member of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol for approximately two years in the Asheville district; and

**Whereas**, George C. Penn was killed in the line of duty on August 22, 1937 while trying to apprehend two escaped convicts that failed to stop for a check point on U. S. 74; and

**Whereas**, George C. Penn was a hero in every sense of the word and his heroic actions helped bring these fugitives to justice; and

**Whereas**, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor George C. Penn for his ultimate sacrifice to keep our roads, communities and citizens safe.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:**

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation dedicated the bridge located on I-40 across U.S. 74A and I-240 at Exit 53 in Bumcombe County as the ***Trooper George C. Penn Bridge.***

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the seventh day of December 2006 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

**Approval – Resolution for Officer Woodie McLaurin Sr.**

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

**WHEREAS**, Officer James “Woodie” McLaurin Sr. was born in Eastover township; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer “Woodie” McLaurin Sr. joined the Fayetteville Police Department in April 1944; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer “Woodie” McLaurin Sr. was promoted to motorcycle officer in February 1946; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer “Woodie” McLaurin Sr. was an outstanding member of the Fayetteville Police Department and had great rapport with all citizens and was held in high esteem by the entire community; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer “Woodie” McLaurin Sr. was critically injured in the line of duty on March 1, 1951 in a traffic accident and died the following day at the Highsmith-Rainey Memorial Hospital; and