

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Joe C. Padgett served as a Captain in the United States Army during the Korean War; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Joe C. Padgett returned to Hayesville with his wife in 1954 and opened a medical practice to serve the people of his community; and

**WHEREAS**, for almost 50 years, Dr. Joe C. Padgett worked selflessly to serve the citizens of Clay County and neighboring communities. He was admired for his professionalism, honesty, sincerity and humble demeanor; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clay County Board of Commissioners requests that the N.C. Department of Transportation honor the late Clay County doctor for the esteem, respect and honor he has brought to Clay County.

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

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the U.S. 64 Bypass in Clay County the **Dr. Joe C. Padgett Memorial Highway** for his outstanding service to his community, state and nation.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the ninth day of October 2003 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary of Transportation

**APPROVAL - RESOLUTION FOR WILLIAM E. CARTER**

Upon a recommendation from the Road Naming Committee, a motion was made by Board Member Cowell and seconded by Board Member Johnson to approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, William E. Carter, the youngest son of Arthur and Winnie Duke Carter, was born in Ellenbore in Rutherford County, North Carolina on June 28, 1930; and

**WHEREAS**, William E. Carter graduated from Woodfin High School in 1948 and from Berea College, a four-year liberal arts college in Kentucky, in 1952; and

**WHEREAS**, William E. Carter received his law degree from the University of North Carolina Law School in 1955 and moved to Clay County to begin practicing law; and

**WHEREAS**, William E. Carter practiced law in Hayesville for the next 40 years, establishing himself as a model citizen and a fair and honest attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, in the late 1950s, William E. Carter assisted Clay County senior citizens to establish eligibility for Social Security benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, William E. Carter served as the town clerk of Hayesville, attorney for Clay County and for the Clay County Board of Education and was a member of the Morehead Scholarship Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, William E. Carter was a devoted husband, father, friend and citizen who crossed the bridge on U.S. 64 over the Hiwassee River while traveling between his home in the Oak Forest Community and his law office in Hayesville; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clay County Board of Commissioners requested that the North Carolina Department of Transportation honor the county's former attorney.

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

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the bridge over the Hiwassee River on U.S. 64 east of the intersection of U.S. 64 and Myers Chapel Road (S.R. 1140) in Clay County the **William E. Carter Memorial Bridge** for his outstanding service to the citizens of Clay County and the state of North Carolina.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the ninth day of October 2003 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary of Transportation