

RESOLUTION FOR WILLIAM F. ABSHER JR.

WHEREAS, William F. Absher Jr. was a native and resident of Wilkes County who died on October 15, 1998; and

WHEREAS, William F. Absher Jr. was active and influential in the governmental, civic and political affairs of Wilkes County and the state of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, William F. Absher Jr. was a community leader and avid supporter of anything that would benefit the economy of Wilkes County; and

WHEREAS, William F. Absher Jr. served as a North Wilkesboro Town Commissioner from 1967-1970, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Northwestern Bank and later First Union National Bank for 40 years and as a member of the Board of Directors of SAFE, Inc. He was a member of the North Carolina Rail Commission, the North Carolina Property Tax Commission and a member of the Board of Trustees of Wilkes Regional Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, William F. Absher Jr. was an avid supporter of the four-laning of U.S. 421 throughout Wilkes County -- a project which will lead to the economic betterment and safety of the citizens of Wilkes County; and


WHEREAS, the Wilkes County Board of Commissioners requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation to honor this devoted and beloved friend of North Carolina and Wilkes County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the new section of U.S. 421 from Minton Road (S.R. 1147) to Goforth Road (S.R. 1156) in Wilkes County the *William F. Absher Jr. Memorial Highway* for his outstanding service to the citizens of Wilkes County and North Carolina.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the sixth day of March 2003 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Secretary of Transportation