

# RESOLUTION FOR DR. LEO W. JENKINS HIGHWAY

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Leo W. Jenkins was a pioneering figure, along with Dr. Andrew A. Best, in shaping North Carolina higher education during the 20th century; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jenkins began his service at East Carolina University in 1947 as a faculty member of the East Carolina Teachers College; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jenkins advanced to Dean and Vice President, and then served as the University's Chancellor from 1960 until his retirement in 1978; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jenkins advanced East Carolina from a College to a University with a medical research and teaching facility; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jenkins led the expansion of East Carolina University's academic, medical and athletic facilities for decades; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Jenkins led the University to expand opportunity to all of North Carolina citizens by helping to integrate the University; and

**WHEREAS**, the East Carolina University academic and medical programs are important to Eastern North Carolina and the City of Greenville, and contribute to the state's economic well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Greenville expresses its support for naming a section of the 10th Street Connector in honor of Dr. Leo W. Jenkins to recognize the many contributions he made to East Carolina University, the City of Greenville, and Eastern North Carolina; and

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

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation names the 10th Street Connector from U.S. 13/N.C. 11 to Evans Street in Pitt County as the *Dr Leo W Jenkins Highway*.

That appropriate signs will be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2019 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary of Transportation