RESOLUTION TO REQUEST NAMING A PORTION OF HIGHWAY 29 IN HONOR OF BONNIE ETHEL CONE

WHEREAS, Dr. Bonnie Ethel Cone, with vision, passion, and commitment, was the driving force behind the evolution of the Charlotte Center of the University of North Carolina into the founding of The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, the fourth constituent institution of The University of North Carolina system; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cone was born in Lodge, South Carolina and received her education at Coker College in Hartsville, South Carolina and Duke University in Durham, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cone began her teaching career in North Carolina at Central High School in Charlotte as a mathematics teacher, left for Duke University to teach mathematics in the United States Navy V-12 Program, and worked in Washington, D.C. as a statistical analyst in the Naval Ordinance Laboratory before returning to Charlotte; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cone served as the Director of the Charlotte Center, Director of Charlotte College, President of Charlotte College, Acting Chancellor of The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Community Relations of The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and Liaison Officer of the UNC Charlotte Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cone died on March 8, 2003, and will be permanently interred on the campus of The University of North Carolina at Charlotte; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Research Institute of The University of North Carolina at Charlotte was established to accelerate research, commercialize technology innovation, and improve the economic development of the Charlotte region through public-private partnerships and is located on Highway 29 on the northwestern edge of the campus; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners and the City of Charlotte City Council desire to provide tribute to Dr. Cone through the dedication of Highway 29 from the intersection of Highway 29/49 to the Cabarrus County line in her honor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners and the City of Charlotte City Council that the North Carolina Board of Transportation be hereby requested to dedicate, in honor of Dr. Bonnie Ethel Cone, that portion of Highway 29 from the intersection of 29/Highway 49 to the Cabarrus County line for her exceptional contributions to higher education in the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, and the State of North Carolina. The Department of Transportation is also requested to place signs, or authorize the placement of signs, appropriate in size and content, to indicate dedication of Highway 29 from the intersection of Highway 29/49 to the Cabarrus County line in honor of Dr. Cone.

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CERTIFICATION

I, Brenda R. Freeze, City Clerk of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in regular session convened on the 15th day of December, 2003 the reference having been made in Minute Book 120, and recorded in full in Resolution Book 38, Page(s) 676-677.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, this the 17th day of December, 2003.

Brenda R. Freeze, CMC, City Clerk

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