



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
RESOLUTION  
HONORING DEPUTY NED P. BYRD**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Wake, by way of Sheriff Willie Rowe, has requested the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to name the Auburn Knightdale Road bridge over the Neuse River in honor of Deputy Ned P. Byrd; and

**WHEREAS**, Deputy Ned P. Byrd was killed in the line of duty on August 11, 2022, by an armed assailant; and

**WHEREAS**, Deputy Ned P. Byrd served honorably in the United States Air Force from 1993 to 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, Deputy Ned P. Byrd began his career in Wake County as a Detention Officer on the 1st day of July 2009 and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on the 16th day of August 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Deputy Ned P. Byrd began his law enforcement career with the Wake County Sheriff's Office on the 15th day of September 2017 and graduated from the Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy on the 20th day of March 2018 at the Wake County Sheriff's Office Training Academy; and

**WHEREAS**, Deputy Ned P. Byrd has established a legacy of service through work in the community as a canine handler, Brazilian Jui Jitsu, cross-fit, and as a local peace officer; and

**WHEREAS**, NCDOT requires a resolution of support from the Wake County Board of Commissioners to consider the bridge naming request for the Auburn Knightdale Road bridge.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wake County Board of Commissioners does hereby support the bridge naming application submitted to the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the Neuse River bridge on Auburn Knightdale Road in eastern Wake County to be named the Ned P. Byrd Bridge.

ADOPTED this the 8th day of July 2024.

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Shinica Thomas, Chair  
Wake County Board of Commissioners