

VIRGINIA: AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DINWIDDIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD IN THE BOARD MEETING ROOM OF THE PAMPLIN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN DINWIDDIE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AT 3:00 P.M. ON THE 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER 2014.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

PRESENT: WILLIAM D. CHAVIS – CHAIRMAN ELECTION DISTRICT 3  
DANIEL D. LEE – VICE CHAIRMAN ELECTION DISTRICT 4  
DR. MARK E. MOORE ELECTION DISTRICT 2  
HARRISON A. MOODY ELECTION DISTRICT 1

ABSENT: BRENDA K. EBRON-BONNER ELECTION DISTRICT 5

ADMINISTRATION

PRESENT: W. KEVIN MASSENGILL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
ANNE HOWERTON, DIVISION CHIEF OF FINANCE AND GENERAL SERVICES  
TYLER C. SOUTHALL, COUNTY ATTORNEY

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**Extract:**

**7.C. RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF THE SHIPPINGS ROAD OVERPASS ON INTERSTATE I-85 AS THE TROOPER GARLAND WEST FISHER, JR. MEMORIAL BRIDGE**

Upon motion of Mr. Moody, seconded by Mr. Lee,

**RESOLUTION**

**NAMING OF THE SHIPPINGS ROAD OVERPASS ON INTERSTATE I-85 AS THE TROOPER GARLAND WEST FISHER, JR. MEMORIAL BRIDGE**

**WHEREAS**, Trooper Garland W. Fisher, Jr. of the Virginia State Police died at the age of 33 on November 15, 1976 in the line of duty; and

**WHEREAS** Trooper Garland W. Fisher, Jr. was a resident of the Church Road Community in Dinwiddie County, spent most of his life in Southside Virginia, grew up in Halifax, and graduated from Halifax County High School; and Trooper Fisher studied accounting at Phillips Business School in Lynchburg before joining the Virginia Department of State Police at the age of 21; and

**WHEREAS**, Trooper Garland W. Fisher, Jr. was hired by the Virginia Department of State Police in 1964, had a brief departure from the Department in the fall of 1966 when drafted by the United States Army where he served in Vietnam, and later return to his post in Division 1 Richmond, Area 7 Dinwiddie, Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, Trooper Garland W. Fisher, Jr. was an active member of his community and United Methodist Church, and was well respected by citizens of Dinwiddie County; and

**WHEREAS**, Trooper Garland W. Fisher, Jr. was shot and killed after being abducted during a traffic stop minutes before his shift would have ended. Unbeknownst to Trooper Fisher, the suspect was wanted for an earlier kidnapping. During the stop, the suspect was able to disarm Trooper Fisher and shot him. He then forced Trooper Fisher to drive towards Atlanta, Georgia. Trooper Fisher was allowed to radio his headquarters and inform them of what was happening; and

**WHEREAS**, the Virginia State Police trailed the car into North Carolina where officers from the North Carolina Highway Patrol set up a roadblock. As the car approached the roadblock, several shots were fired from the car. The officers stationed at the roadblock opened fire on the car, wounding the suspect; and Officer Fisher was found dead in the back of the car; and

**WHEREAS**, Trooper Garland W. Fisher, Jr. served the citizens of the Commonwealth for 12 years and gave his life in defense of others; and this Board wishes to memorialize the life and sacrifice of Trooper Garland W. Fisher, Jr.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors does hereby request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to name the Shippings Road Overpass on Interstate I-85 as Trooper Garland West Fisher Memorial Bridge.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County of Dinwiddie will assume the costs for the fabrication and installation of signs for this naming.

Ayes: Dr. Moore, Mr. Moody, Mr. Lee, Mr. Chavis  
Nays: None  
Absent: Ms. Ebron-Bonner

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W. Kevin Massengill  
County Administrator/Clerk to the Board