I, Amy T. Harvey, Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of (2021-11-17/R-4) adopted by the Chapel Hill Town Council on November 17, 2021.

This the 18th day of November, 2021.

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Amy T. Harvey Deputy Town Clerk



## A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REQUEST THAT NCDOT PLACE THE HONORARY HIGHWAY NAME FOR THE SECTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 40 FROM EXIT 270 TO EXIT 273 AS THE DEAN SMITH HIGHWAY. (2021-11-17/R-4)

WHEREAS, Dean Smith was born in Emporia, Kan., graduated from the University of Kansas where he won an NCAA men's basketball championship in 1952 as a player, was an assistant coach at the U.S. Air Force Academy, and became assistant coach at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1958; and

WHEREAS Dean Smith was named head coach of the Tar Heels in 1961 and held that position for 36 seasons until he retired from coaching in 1997; and

WHEREAS Dean Smith was awarded a Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Dean Smith, in 2000, was named one of the seven greatest coaches of the 20th Century by ESPN, with Red Auerbach (Boston Celtics), Bear Bryant (Alabama football), George Halas (Chicago Bears), Vince Lombardi (Green Bay Packers), John McGraw (MLB's New York Giants) and John Wooden (UCLA men's basketball); and

WHEREAS Dean Smith retired as the winningest men's basketball coach in NCAA history with 879 victories; and

WHEREAS Dean Smith is Carolina's all-time winningest men's basketball coach and the Tar Heels' home arena is officially named the Dean E. Smith Student Activities Center; and

WHEREAS, Dean Smith was awarded the Arthur Ashe Award for Courage, Sports Illustrated's Sportsman of the Year, UNC's Mentor Award for Lifetime Achievement and numerous other prestigious honors and awards, including eight-time Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year and four-time National Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS Dean Smith led the Tar Heels to NCAA championships in 1982 and 1993, 13 ACC Tournament titles, 17 regular-season ACC championships and an NIT championship; and

WHEREAS Dean Smith was head coach of the 1976 United States Olympic Team, which won a gold medal in the Montreal Summer Games; and

WHEREAS, Dean Smith is a member of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, the FIBA Hall of Fame, the College Basketball Hall of Fame, the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame and the Kansas Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, the United States Basketball Writers Association of America created the Dean Smith Award to honor a collegiate basketball coach who honors embodies the spirit and standards of Dean Smith to be an agent of change beyond sport, and to influence and impact athletes, the campus community, those in need and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, Dean Smith was father to Sandy, Sharon, Scott, Kristen and Kelly, and was married to Dr. Linnea Smith.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council wishes to express its appreciation for the public services given and contributions made by Dean Smith by supporting the request that NCDOT place the honorary highway name for the section of US 40 from exit 270 to exit 273 as the Dean Smith Highway.

This the 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.