

Renaming a portion of a highway checklist:

- NCDOT Application – *Attached completed.*
- NCDOT Character Certification Form – *Attached completed, unsigned.*
- Map - *Description attached.*
- Resolution passed by the Jackson County Board of Commissioners - *Draft Resolution attached.*
- A copy of the meeting minutes that state the resolution was passed and the opportunity for public input was provided – *Minutes provided after action.*
- A minimum of 3 recommendation letters (civic, business, or service organizations) – *Three letters attached from: Sylva Rotary, Southwestern Community College and Cashiers Area Chamber of Commerce.*
- A letter from the family indicating that they are aware of and approve of the honorary designation – *Attached letter from family.*
- Written documentation that affirms the willingness of the local government or sponsor to participate financially by paying an administrative fee of \$2,000 to offset costs associated with the program. – *Check received from Graham County Land Company, LLC in the amount of \$2,000.*



Road, Bridge, Ferry Naming or Designation Application

Date: 3/2/2020

Information about Yourself	
Your Name: <i>Brian McMahan, Chairman</i>	Phone Number: <i>828-631-2213</i>
Mailing Address: <i>401 Grindstaff Cove Road, Suite A207, Sylva, NC 28779</i>	Alternate Phone Number: Click here to enter text.
Relationship to Honoree: <i>Jackson County Board of Commissioners - Constituent</i>	Email Address: <i>angiewinchester@jacksonnc.org</i>

Information about What You Want to Have Named	
Do You Wish to Name/Designate a Road, Bridge or Ferry? <i>Road</i>	
If a road or bridge, is it currently under construction? <i>In order for a road or bridge to be named in honor of an individual, that road or bridge must be already constructed, or within 3 months of its expected construction completion date. (See Section III. B. in the Honorary Designations of State Transportation Assets Policy)</i>	No
County: <i>Jackson</i>	Route: <i>NC 107N - from SR1172 to SR 1002</i>
Description: <i>If a road request, please include preferred section (Point A to Point B), and if a bridge request, please include what the bridge crosses. For road requests, the distance of the proposed dedication should be 5 miles or less. Law enforcement officers will be honored with bridge dedications in lieu of highways. Also indicate if you would like to name (changes addresses) or designate (honorary title) the facility – designations are most common (See Section II and III. in Policy)</i>	



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NC 107N starting at the intersection of SR1172 Moody Bridge Road to the intersection of NC107S and SR1002 Old Cullowhee Road.

Information about the Honoree (Person for whom the Road, Bridge or Ferry Naming or Designation Request is being made)

Honoree's Name: *Conrad G. Burrell*

<p>1. If approved, what is the preferred name you would like to have on the sign? <i>Names can include one title, one given name and initial, a surname, and a suffix. (See Section II. B. in Policy) "Memorial" is no longer included on signs.</i></p>	<p><i>Conrad G. Burrell Highway</i></p>
<p>2. Is the honoree living or deceased? <i>If deceased, please provide date of death: To qualify for a road, bridge, or ferry naming or designation, an honoree must be either living, or be deceased longer than one year but less than 75 years. (See Section II. A. in Policy)</i></p>	<p><i>deceased</i></p> <p><i>1/10/2019</i></p>
<p>3. Is the honoree currently serving or seeking a term as an elected official? If so, please indicate what kind of office. <i>To qualify for a road, bridge, or ferry naming or designation, an honoree must not be currently seeking or serving a term as a federal, state, or local elected official. (See Section II. A. of Policy)</i></p>	<p><i>not currently serving or seeking a term as an elected official</i></p> <p>Select the office.</p>



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<p>4. Is the honoree currently a North Carolina resident?</p> <p>If no, please provide dates when the honoree was a North Carolina resident. <i>To qualify for a road, bridge, or ferry naming or designation, an honoree must be or have been a North Carolina resident. (See Section II. A. in Policy)</i></p>	<p>Choose an item.</p> <p>1935-2019</p>
<p>5. Has the honoree made notable local, state, and/or national contributions and/or had significant accomplishments? <i>(See Section II. A. in Policy) Later, you will be required to list these.</i></p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>6. Does the honoree already have a state-owned road, bridge, or ferry named or designated for him or her? <i>To qualify for a road, bridge, or ferry designation, an honoree must not already have a state-owned road, bridge, or ferry designated for him or her. (See Section II. E. in Policy)</i></p>	<p>No</p>
<p>7. Is the honoree a law enforcement officer or first responder killed in the line of duty? <i>Municipal officials, employees, and law enforcement officers (including those killed in the line of duty) should be recognized with a municipally owned bridge, if available and/or feasible (See Section II. B. in Policy)</i></p> <p>If you are requesting a state-owned bridge be named for a local law enforcement officer or first responder, please describe what the circumstances that justify the exception.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Click here to enter text.</p>
<p>8. Is the honorary designation being requested on the basis of the individual's military service?</p> <p>If yes, which valorous combat decoration has the honoree received?</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Choose an item.</p>



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Verification of the award will be required at the time the resolution is submitted. *Only recipients of the Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Navy Cross, or Air Force Cross are eligible for a road or bridge naming / designation based on military combat service (See Section II. A. of Policy). (Other military personnel are honored by the 1300+ mile Blue Star Memorial Highway Network across North Carolina, See Section V. of Policy.)*

Description: Please describe the background information of the honoree, and list his/her credentials that justify the road, bridge, or ferry naming. These must include notable local, state, and/or national contributions and/or significant accomplishments. (See Sections II. D. and IV. A. in Policy)

· Elected Jackson County Register of Deeds 1974-1998· Elected Jackson County Commissioner 1998-2002· Appointed Jackson County Commissioner 2004-2006 to fill a vacancy· Awarded the Long Leaf Pine by North Carolina Governors James B. Hunt and Beverly Purdue· Board Member – CJ Harris Hospital for 15 years· Board Member – Advantage West· Sylva Rotary Club serving as President, Secretary and Treasurer· Board of Directors – United Community Bank· Board Member – Jackson County Social Services· Board Member – Southwestern Community College for 20 years, serving as Chairman for 12 years; with naming of the Burrell Building on the Sylva campus in his honor· Board Member – NC Department of Transportation for the 14th Division form 2000-2012, where he was instrumental in the construction of numerous road projects in Jackson County, as well as Division 14.

Support for Proposed Road/Bridge/Ferry Naming

1. Does the proposed naming / designation have strong local support?
Requested naming must have strong local support. Unanimous resolutions from the local governments with jurisdiction, passed in a public forum, will be required. (See Section II. A. in Policy) At a later stage of the review process, you will need to provide at least three letters of recommendation from civic, service, or business organizations that demonstrate this support. (See Section IV. B. in Policy)

Yes



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2. Does the family of the honoree support the proposed naming / designation?
The family must support the proposed naming. (See Section II. A. & Section IV. E. in Policy)

Yes

3. Has a source of the \$2000 administrative fee for the sign been identified?
The requesting party or local government is responsible for \$2000 towards the cost of the signs. The local government or designee must participate by paying an administrative fee of \$2000. (See Section IV. G. in Policy)

Yes

When complete, this form should be emailed to the Road, Bridge or Ferry Naming Committee Service account at roadnaming@ncdot.gov. After reviewing your form, NCDOT staff will contact you to discuss next steps.



Honorary Designation for State Roads, Bridges and Ferries Character Certification Form

Honorary Designation for State Roads, Bridges and Ferries Character Certification by Town/County Official

Full Name of Individual the Honorary Designation is being requested for: *Conrad G. Burrell*

Character Certification Reference - (to be completed by local town/county official)

1. Are you aware of any criminal charges pending against the individual or if they have ever been convicted of any crime anywhere, including in federal, state, local, military and tribal courts?
If yes, please explain.

No

2. Do you know if the individual has ever been charged with a criminal act? If yes, please explain.

No

3. Are you aware of any controversial matter in which the individual has been involved? If yes, please explain.

No

4. Is there any information regarding the character of the individual that you feel is pertinent? If yes, please explain.

No



Honorary Designation for State Roads, Bridges and Ferries Character Certification Form

I hereby state that the information contained above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. In the event that information is later confirmed that was not included on this form or incomplete, the Board of Transportation reserves the right to revoke the designation.

This the _____ day of _____, 20__.

(Printed Name of Local Official Performing Character Reference)

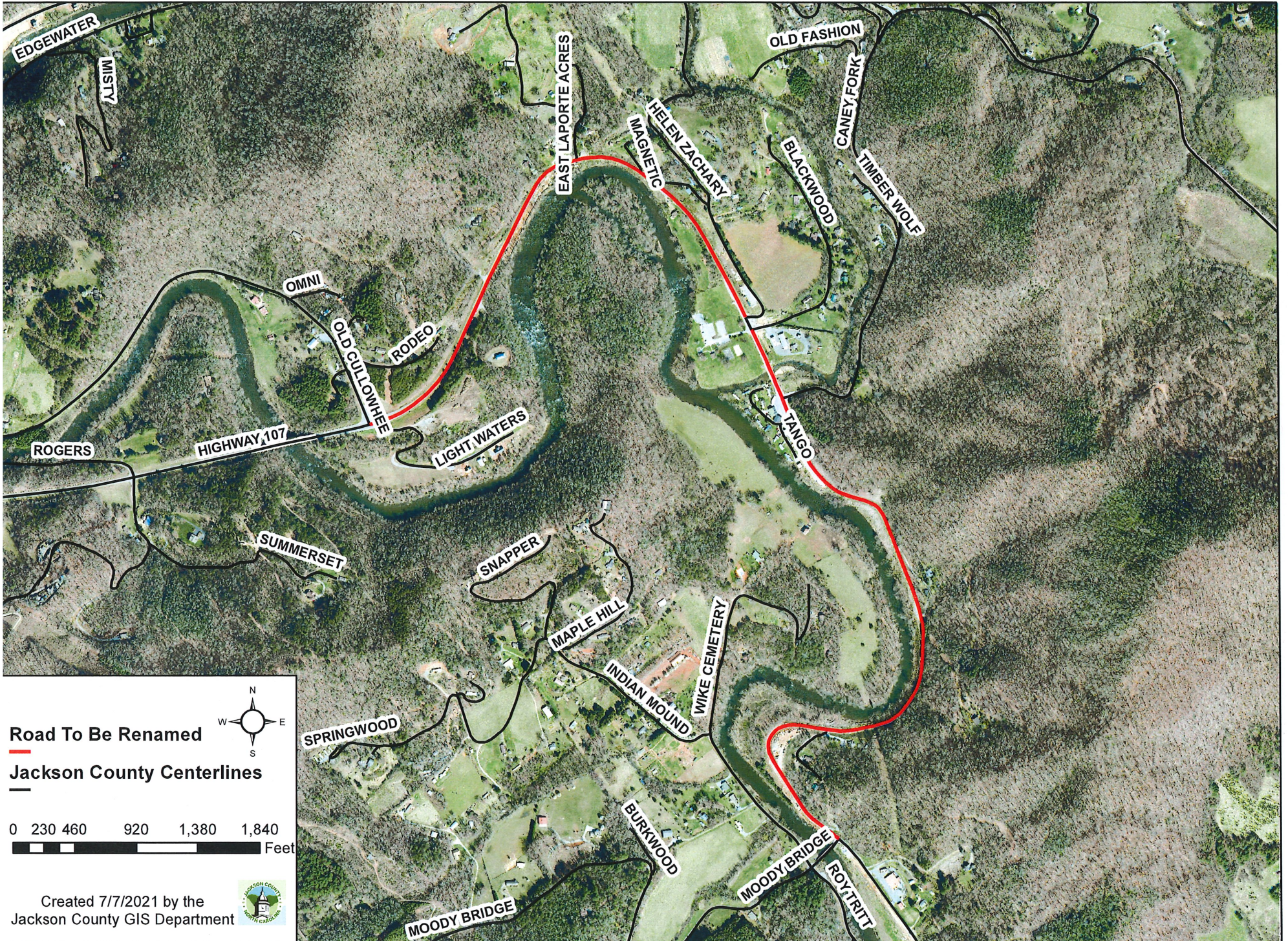
Sworn to and subscribed before me

This the ____ day of _____, 20__.

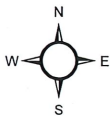
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Road Name Change



Road To Be Renamed



Jackson County Centerlines

0 230 460 920 1,380 1,840 Feet

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**JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION
RENAMING A PORTION OF HIGHWAY 107
“CONRAD G. BURRELL HIGHWAY”**

WHEREAS, Conrad G. Burrell (1935-2019) became a Board Member for the 14th Transportation Division in 2000. In this position, he had oversight of ten counties in the westernmost part of North Carolina and was instrumental in the construction of numerous transportation projects in Jackson County and Division 14; and

WHEREAS, Conrad received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine two times, the highest civilian honor awarded in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Conrad was a board member at Southwestern Community College for 20 years, serving as Chairman of the Board for 12 years. He served as a Board Member at Harris Regional Hospital for 15 years and also served as a Board Member at Advantage West; and

WHEREAS, Conrad was elected as the Register of Deeds for Jackson County in 1974 and served for 24 years; and

WHEREAS, Conrad was elected as a Jackson County Commissioner and served from 1998 until 2002 and then served as an appointed Commissioner from 2005 until 2006; and

WHEREAS, Conrad was a member of the Sylva Rotary Club, having served as Secretary, Treasurer and President at various times.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in appreciation for his distinguished service, the Jackson County Board of Commissioners hereby respectfully requests that the North Carolina Board of Transportation rename a portion of NC 107N starting at the intersection of SR 1172 Moody Bridge Road to the intersection of NC 107S and SR1002 Old Cullowhee Road: “Conrad G. Burrell Highway”.

Adopted April 07, 2020.

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
BRIAN THOMAS MCMAHAN, Chairman

Attest:

ANGELA M. WINCHESTER, Clerk to the Board



Sylva Rotary Club
PO Box 465
Sylva, NC 28779

December 12, 2019

Jim Triggdon
Secretary, N.C. Board of Transportation
1501 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1501

Dear Board of Transportation,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Rotary Club of Sylva Board of Directors, in support of the proposed naming of a section of Highway NC-107 in honor of Conrad G. Burrell. As a lifelong resident, Conrad Burrell dedicated his life to the people of Jackson County. He was a valued member of the Rotary Club of Sylva for many years and served as President in 1979-80. During his tenure as a member of our club, Conrad worked alongside his fellow Rotarians to make a difference in our community.

Conrad's life was dedicated to public service. He spent 24 years of his career working as the Jackson County Register of Deeds before his retirement in 1998. Following retirement, he continued his work on numerous boards including the Jackson County Board of Commissioners, Southwestern Community College Board of Trustees, and the N.C. Board of Transportation. As a former member on the N.C. Board of Transportation, Conrad fully represented the 10 most western counties of North Carolina to help make decisions on transportation priorities. In 2000 Conrad became the Chairman of the SCC Board of Trustees, a post he held for the next 11 years helping guide the community college to unprecedented growth.

Dedicating a section of Highway NC-107 to be named after Conrad G. Burrell is fitting for someone who was a champion for the people of Jackson County. The proposed section, from East Laporte to Highway NC-281, represents the area where he began his lifelong commitment to making positive changes in our community. Our motto in Rotary is "Service Above Self" and it would be hard to find a better representation of our motto than Conrad Burrell.

Please accept our support for this proposed naming in honor of Conrad G. Burrell. If you need additional information let us know.

Sincerely,

Mike Wade, President
Rotary Club Board of Directors

cc. Jackson County Board of Commissioners
Mike Fox, Chairman N.C. Board of Transportation

March 9, 2020

Mr. James Trogden, Secretary of Transportation
North Carolina Department of Transportation
1501 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1501

Dear Mr. Trogden:

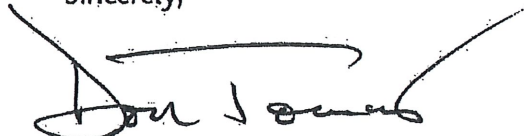
I am writing this letter in support of the effort to name the NC 107 to NC 281 connector in Jackson County (Division 14) in honor of Mr. Conrad G. Burrell.

Mr. Burrell faithfully served the students, faculty and staff of Southwestern Community College as a member of the Board of Trustees from 1996 to 2016, and served as Chairman for ten of those twenty years. Prior to his service on the Board of Trustees, he served for six years on the Southwestern Community College Foundation Board, serving as a member and Vice Chair. Mr. Burrell's service, leadership and guidance were invaluable to the growth and development of the College, and his exemplary dedication to the students and citizens of Jackson, Macon and Swain counties and the Qualla Boundary is well-documented and known in our service area.

The Board of Trustees of Southwestern Community College also endorses this honorary effort.

Thank you for your consideration of this effort and acceptance of this letter of support. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at 828-339-4239 or d_tomas@southwesterncc.edu.

Sincerely,



Don Tomas, Ed.D.
President



Lambert Wilson
Chairman, SCC Board of Trustees



May 25, 2021

Road, Bridge or Ferry Naming Committee
North Carolina Department of Transportation
Raleigh, NC 27669

roadnaming@ncdot.gov

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

It is a pleasure to submit our endorsement of the naming of NC 107N, starting at the intersection of SR 1172 Moody Bridge Road, to the intersection of NC 107S and SR 1002 Old Cullowhee Road, in Jackson County, in honor of

Conrad G. Burrell (1935-2019)

Mr. Burrell had a distinguished public service career and history of community volunteerism which spanned decades and touched the lives of many. His more prominent roles included that as District 14 representative on the NC Board of Transportation, on the Jackson County Board of Commissioners and Southwestern Community College Board of Trustees, and as Jackson County Register of Deeds.

His long-standing commitment to our region was further demonstrated in his leadership and dedication in numerous charitable and community positions including president of the Rotary Club of Sylva.

Given Mr. Burrell's extraordinary personal service to Jackson County communities as well as throughout the western North Carolina region, we believe this is a well-deserved recognition and urge your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

Glenn Ubertino, President
Board of Directors

Serving the communities of Cashiers, Glenville, Sapphire and Lake Toxaway

**202 US 64 West/P O Box 238, Cashiers, NC 28717
office@CashiersAreaChamber.com 828-743-5191**

Karen Burrell Herron
Juanita S. Burrell
P.O. Box 201
Sylva, NC 28779

March 2, 2020

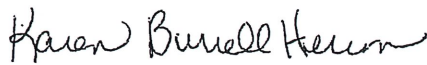
Distinguished Members of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners
And
North Carolina Department of Transportation Road Naming Committee

Dear Distinguished Members:

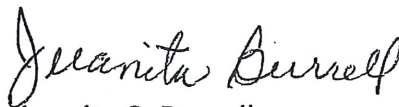
This letter is to serve as a request by our family for your consideration in the naming of NC Hwy 107 through the East LaPorte Community in honor of Conrad G. Burrell for his longstanding commitment to the advancement and improvement of Jackson County and its citizens.

I am attaching a list of my father's accomplishments and honors achieved during his lifetime. As you will see he was devoted to the betterment of Jackson County. We are honored that you would consider this request.

Sincerely,



Karen Burrell Herron



Juanita S. Burrell