

Resolution 2019-01 REQUESTING NAMING OF BRIDGE FOR DAVIDSON POLICE OFFICER MARK A. SWANEY

WHEREAS, Police Officer Mark A. Swaney served the Town of Davidson and Charlotte Airport Police for 7 years in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina with diligence and honor; and,

WHEREAS, Police Officer Swaney was shot and killed in the line of duty on December 25, 1997 by an armed assailant after being summoned by the assailant's family; and,

WHEREAS, Police Officer Swaney was 26 years old at the time of his death, was the sixth police officer in North Carolina killed in the line of duty in 1997 and the first Davidson Police Officer killed in the line of duty; and,

WHEREAS, Police Officer Swaney was honored with the naming of the Davidson Police Department Medal of Valor Award in recognition of his dedicated service to the citizens of the Town of Davidson, the County of Mecklenburg, and the State of North Carolina;

WHEREAS, Police Officer Swaney was survived by parents, Larry and Glenda Swaney, his sister, Gina Swaney Bouknight, and his niece, Amber Bouknight; and

WHEREAS, the actions and career of Police Officer Swaney serve as a worthy example for all citizens of the Town of Davidson, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and a fitting memorial to his memory has been requested. is well deserved and long overdue;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners hereby requests the North Carolina Board of Transportation name the bridge over I-77 at Griffith Street, Town of Davidson, in the honor and memory of Police Officer Mark A. Swaney, and that appropriate signage be placed at the site.

Adopted on the 8th day of January, 2019

Jane Campbell, Commissioner

Matthew Fort, Commissioner

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Rusty Knox, Mayor

Jim Fuller, Mayor Pro Tem

Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk

David Sitton, Commissioner