

## A Resolution by the State Transportation Board

**WHEREAS**, the portion of Interstate 85 in Troup County from Exit 2 to Exit 18 was dedicated in 2014 as the Ray C. Anderson Memorial Highway by House Resolution 1057 of the Georgia General Assembly, sponsored by Rep. Randy Nix; and

**WHEREAS**, the state-owned Visitor Information Center is situated as a gateway to Georgia immediately inside the state line on the northbound lanes of Interstate 85; and

**WHEREAS**, the section of the Ray C Anderson Memorial Highway is on Interstate 85 and the National Highway System, the department working cooperatively with FHWA will support utilization of this section of interstate for a pilot program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ray C. Anderson Foundation endowed an affiliate foundation, called The Ray, to facilitate and promote the establishment of the Ray C. Anderson Memorial Highway as the most sustainable and innovative highway in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Transportation Board passed a resolution in 2014 affirming and supporting the mission of The Ray, and encouraging all staff to support the mission and the work; and

**WHEREAS**, the potential use of road materials that are superior in one or more facets of sustainability, including durability, recycled content and efficiency, in future construction, maintenance and resurfacing projects on the Ray C. Anderson Memorial Corridor would support the mission of The Ray; and

**WHEREAS**, the demonstrating and testing of innovative, safer and sustainable road applications and road construction techniques on the Ray C. Anderson Memorial Corridor would support the mission of The Ray and possibly reduce highway accidents and fatalities; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Transportation Board encourages the department to work cooperatively with FHWA and to continue the working partnership with The Ray to promote innovation, safety, and sustainability along the 18 miles of Interstate 85 that connects the Ray C. Anderson Memorial Corridor with the West Point Visitor Information Center and promote aspirational goals of the Ray C. Anderson Memorial Highway as the safest, most sustainable and most innovative highway in the United States.

Approved:

  
Russell McMurry, Commissioner

  
Emily Dunn, Chairman  
State Transportation Board

Attest:

  
Jamie Boswell, Secretary  
State Transportation Board