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A RESOLUTION  
IN SUPPORT OF THE REDESIGNATION OF THE  
APPALACHIAN CORRIDOR B (I-181\U.S. 23)  
AS INTERSTATE 26 (I-26)

WHEREAS, the Town of Mount Carmel shares a common purpose of encouraging economic development within the region; and

WHEREAS, the national interstate highway network is a major component in regional industrial recruitment and economic development; and

WHEREAS, plans for the facility date back to 1965; and

WHEREAS, in 1981 the Tennessee Department of Transportation began initial efforts toward construction of the Appalachian Corridor B (I-181/U.S.23) from Johnson City to the North Carolina State Line; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Governor Ned McWherter has made the completion, by 1992, of the section of U. S. 23 south of Erwin to the North Carolina State Line, a top priority.

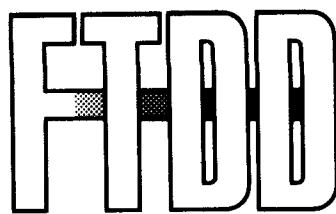
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Mount Carmel endorses the redesignation of Appalachian Corridor B (I-181/U.S. 23) as Interstate 26 (I-26).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the appropriate agencies encouraging their assistance in securing this redesignation.

7-28-88  
Date

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: First Tennessee Development District Board of Directors  
and the US 23/I-26 NOW Committee

FROM: Fred Congdon, Chairman

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At the June 1st Semi-Annual Meeting of the First Tennessee Development District, a committee was formed to promote the re-designation of US 23/I-181 as Interstate 26 (I-26). This committee has met and formulated several steps to insure the progress of the re-designation of US 23/I-181.

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ERWIN

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The Committee felt that it needs support of the entire region in this effort. This support should come from all segments of the region, both non-governmental as well as governmental entities. In order for the Committee to contact every possible business, industry and organization that could offer support in the way of resolutions or letters, the NOW Committee is asking each of you to send a list of businesses, industries and civic organizations in your community that might be willing to assist in this effort. This list should include the name of the person to whom the correspondence should be sent and a mailing address. The Committee is seeking all types of businesses and industries including trucking companies, financial institutions, chambers of commerce, economic development boards, hotels, and motels as well as city and county governments and other persons that will be favorably affected by this re-designation of US 23/I-181. Please send this list to Deborah DeLucia at the First Tennessee Development District.

As these lists are received, correspondence will be sent to those on the list asking for their support along with sample resolutions for their use. The Committee would like to receive these lists no later than July 18, 1988. For your information, a sample resolution is enclosed.

Thank you in advance for your timely attention to this matter.