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N.C. Transportation Hall of Fame 2007 Induction and Awards Ceremony to be held in Spencer for second consecutive year

SPENCER, N.C. – The N.C. Transportation Hall of Fame (NCTHF) has chosen the N.C. Transportation Museum (NCTM) in Spencer as the site for its fourth annual induction and awards ceremony, scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 23 in the Bob Julian Roundhouse, for the second consecutive year.

“We have been pleased with the success of past induction ceremonies, but last year’s ceremony in Spencer went exceptionally well, and we are excited to work with the museum and Rowan County again this year,” said David Robinson, chief executive officer of the NCTHF.

The NCTHF annually honors individuals, businesses, organizations and agencies for their roles and achievements in transportation system conception, planning, design, financing, construction, operation, maintenance and management. At the 2006 ceremony, eight transportation pioneers were inducted, including the late Carl F. Mickey Sr. of High Point’s Mickey Truck Bodies.

“The museum is honored to be the home of the North Carolina Transportation Hall of Fame exhibit, located in our *Wagons, Wheels, and Wings* exhibit hall,” said Elizabeth Smith, executive director of the NCTM. “It was a pleasure to host the event last year, and we are delighted to be the site of the 2007 induction and awards ceremony.”

NCTHF was founded in North Carolina in 2003 as a private non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. The 2007 induction ceremony will again be made possible by the support of a number of NCTHF's corporate sponsors including Thomas Built Buses of High Point, as well as Salisbury area businesses, the NCTM Foundation, the Town of Spencer, and the Rowan County Convention and Visitors Bureau. For more information about NCTHF, past inductees, and coming events, go to www.ncthf.org.

The N.C. Transportation Museum, located in historic Spencer Shops, the former Southern Railway repair facility for steam locomotives, is part of the Division of State Historic Sites of the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources. The museum offers free admission and is conveniently located just five minutes off I-85 at exit 79 in Spencer, and about an hour from Charlotte, Greensboro or Winston-Salem. For more information on the museum, visit www.nctrans.org.

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