

CHAPTER 187 (HJR 100)

A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Transportation Cabinet to name United States Route 68 from Lexington to Maysville the "Simon Kenton Highway".

WHEREAS, Simon Kenton, pioneer settler, was born April 3, 1755, in Fauquier County, Virginia, the son of Mark and Mary Miller Kenton; and

WHEREAS, Simon Kenton's early travels led him, in 1775, to establish camp and become the first permanent settler in what is today Mason County, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Simon Kenton's heroics were evident when he saved the life of famed Kentucky pioneer Daniel Boone during a raid on Fort Boonesborough in 1777; and

WHEREAS, in 1778, Simon Kenton joined the colonists' revolution against British rule of America and had many adventures in combat; and

WHEREAS, after the war, Simon Kenton established the Kenton's Station settlement on Lawrence Creek in Mason County and defended it from attacks; and

WHEREAS, Simon Kenton's lifelong heroism and adventurous spirit helped tame the land we know today as Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that Simon Kenton is honored and remembered for his role in the history of our Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to name United States Route 68 from Lexington to Maysville the "Simon Kenton Highway".

Section 2. The Transportation Cabinet shall immediately begin preparing the appropriate highway signs naming the "Simon Kenton Highway" to facilitate their erection upon the effective date of this Resolution.

Section 3. That the Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Secretary of the Transportation Cabinet and to the District Highway Engineers in Lexington, Kentucky and Flemingsburg, Kentucky.

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