

CHAPTER 84**(HJR 91)**

A JOINT RESOLUTION naming the "Julian M. Carroll Bridge" in Franklin County.

WHEREAS, Julian Morton Carroll was born in McCracken County, Kentucky on April 16, 1931, the son of Elvie "Buster" Carroll and Eva Heady Carroll; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll graduated from Heath High School, where he served as student body president; and

WHEREAS, in 1951, Julian Carroll married Charlann Harding, starting on a remarkable life's journey together that has endured for a half a century; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll is the proud father of four children: Kenneth, Patrice, Brad, and Elly; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll attended the University of Kentucky, receiving a B. A. in Political Science in 1954 and a law degree in 1956 from that institution; and

WHEREAS, after service in the United States Air Force, Julian Carroll returned home to Paducah to establish a law practice; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll's activity in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church gained him renown as a lay speaker for churches of all denominations; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll achieved the highest office for Kentucky laymen of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church when he was named moderator of the Kentucky Synod in 1966; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll's deep and abiding religious faith served as a steadying anchor throughout his many years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll first entered politics in 1961, when he was elected to the House of Representatives from McCracken County at the age of 29; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll served ten years in the Kentucky House of Representatives, and was Speaker of the House from 1968 to 1971; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll was elected Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky in 1971, serving in that post until December 28th, 1974, when he was inaugurated as Kentucky's 54th Governor, filling the remainder of the term of Governor Wendell Ford; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll won re-election to the Governor's office in 1975 and served as Governor until 1979; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll's tenure as Governor was marked by great strides in the funding of elementary and secondary education, including the elimination of fees for required classes and the institution of free textbooks for grades K through 12 and the establishment of a School Building Authority to help poor districts build schools; and

WHEREAS, Julian Carroll's performance as Governor was lauded by many, including the Louisville Courier-Journal, which stated: "Kentucky is better for Julian Carroll's having been Governor. Of that we feel confident"; and

WHEREAS, since leaving office, Julian Carroll has remained a force in the political, civic, and spiritual life of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the Commonwealth honor Julian Carroll, a true gentleman, a Kentuckian who has served his Commonwealth with duty and honor;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to name the bridge on Kentucky Route 676 (the East-West Connector) over the Kentucky River the "Julian M. Carroll Bridge."

Section 2. The Transportation Cabinet shall erect signs identifying the "Julian M. Carroll Bridge" within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Resolution at each end of the bridge specified in Section 1 of this Resolution.

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