

**CHAPTER 349****(SJR 24)**

A JOINT RESOLUTION naming the "Robert B. Collins Bridge" in Letcher County.

WHEREAS, Robert Collins was born in 1914 in Letcher County, Kentucky, the son of Ira and Eliza Bates Collins; and

WHEREAS, Robert Collins graduated from the Pine Mountain Settlement School; and

WHEREAS, Robert Collins served his country with honor in Burma, China, and India during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Robert Collins served one term in the Kentucky House of Representatives, representing Letcher County from 1948 to 1950, serving on the Committees on Cities of the Sixth Class, Compensation for Industrial Injuries, and Mines and Mining, and also served one term as Letcher County sheriff; and

WHEREAS, Robert Collins served three terms as Letcher County Judge, serving in parts of the 1950s, the 1960s, the 1970s, and the 1980s, retiring in 1981 ; and

WHEREAS, Robert Collins is the loving husband of Jean Cupps Collins, the proud father of two daughters, Darlene Spears and Denise Hughes, and the dotting grandfather of three grandsons; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that Robert Collins receive recognition for his lifetime of achievement and service to the people of Letcher County;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall name the bridge over Elkhorn Creek, bridge number B00025, located 1.3 miles southwest of the Pike County line on United States Route 23 in Letcher County the "Robert B. Collins Bridge."

Section 2. The Transportation Cabinet shall, within thirty days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs on the bridge specified in Section 1 of this Act that read "Robert B. Collins Bridge."

**Approved April 23, 2002**