

CHAPTER 37**(HJR 19)**

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating honorary names for various roads and bridges and directing the placement of honorary roadside signs.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the General Assembly has seen fit to honor various Kentuckians by naming portions of state highways and erecting commemorative roadway signs in their honor; and

WHEREAS, these Kentuckians have come from all walks of life, held a multitude of jobs, and had a variety of reasons that they were deserving of the honor; and

WHEREAS, these individuals have included former Governors, decorated veterans, slain law enforcement officers, local elected officials, astronauts, doctors, educators, distinguished athletes, and civic leaders; and

WHEREAS, every citizen of the Commonwealth owes a great debt of gratitude to the patriotic men and women killed and wounded in service to their country in times of great need; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has often honored the veterans of this state by naming portions of several roads, from interstates to small two-lane country roads, in their honor; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly again sees fit to honor a group of individuals who have made the lives of their fellow Kentuckians better and brought honor and respect to the Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the service, sacrifice, and memory of Sergeant First Class John D. Morton by designating the portion of Kentucky Route 15 in Powell County as the "SFC John D. Morton Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage designating this section of Kentucky Route 15 as the "SFC John D. Morton Memorial Highway."

➔Section 2. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the memory of William H. "Larry" Tackett by designating the bridge on Kentucky Route 1506 in South Williamson as the "William H. "Larry" Tackett Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at both ends of the bridge specified in this Section that read "William H. "Larry" Tackett Memorial Bridge."

➔Section 3. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the memory of Cloyd Williams and John Lee Fox by designating Kentucky Route 214 in Monroe County as the "Cloyd Williams and John Lee Fox Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at each end of the route specified in this section, and at intervals in between that read "Cloyd Williams and John Lee Fox Memorial Highway."

➔Section 4. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor April Helton by erecting signs on both entrances into Knox County on United States Highway 25E, that read "Home of 2010 Kentucky Middle School Science Teacher of the Year, April Helton." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at the locations specified in this section that read "Home of 2010 Kentucky Middle School Science Teacher of the year, April Helton." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

➔Section 5. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor Ella Beth Gray by erecting signs on both entrances into Knox County on United States Highway 25E, that read "Home of 2010 Tiny Miss Kentucky, Ella Beth Gray." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at the locations specified in this section that read "Home of 2010 Tiny Miss Kentucky, Ella Beth Gray." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

➔Section 6. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the accomplishments of hall of fame jockey Steve Cauthen by designating Kentucky Route 14, from the intersection with Interstate 71 (mile point 2.18) to near the intersection with Interstate 75 (mile point 8.055), as the "Steve Cauthen Highway", and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 7. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to designate United States Route 641 South in Marshall County, also known as the Benton Bypass, the "J.R. Gray Bypass," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 8. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to designate the bridge at the intersection of Kentucky Route 38 and Kentucky Route 2430 in Harlan County as the "Cloverfork Veterans Memorial Bridge." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at each end of the bridge identified in this section that read "Cloverfork Veterans Memorial Bridge."

➔Section 9. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the memory of Officer Gary E. Kidwell by erecting signs on United States Highway 150, at the Rockcastle and Lincoln County line where Kentucky Highway 150 intersects with Copper Creek Road that read "In Memory of Officer Gary E. Kidwell." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs at the locations identified in this section.

➔Section 10. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor Rylie Jo Makenzie Maggard by erecting signs on both sides of Kentucky Route 421 at the floodgates in Harlan County that read "Home of 2008 Kentucky State Festival Pageant Grand Supreme Rylie Jo Makenzie Maggard." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs along the locations specified in this section that read ""Home of 2008 Kentucky State Festival Pageant Grand Supreme Rylie Jo Makenzie Maggard." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

➔Section 11. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor the life and memory of fallen Bowling Green master police officer David Whitson by designating Kentucky Route 80 in Warren County as the "David Whitson Memorial Highway." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs that read "David Whitson Memorial Highway" at each end of the route identified in this section, and at appropriate intervals along the route.

➔Section 12. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 172 over Upper Laurel Creek near Kentucky Route 469 in Johnson County (Bridge Number 058B00014N) as the "Paul and Frances Keaton Bridge." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at each end of the bridge identified in this section that read "Paul and Frances Keaton Bridge."

➔Section 13. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to designate the bridge off of Kentucky Route 321 over Paint Creek onto James Trimble Boulevard in Johnson County as the "Proctor Brown Memorial Bridge." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at each end of the bridge identified in this section that read "Proctor Brown Memorial Bridge."

➔Section 14. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor Tim Masthay, former University of Kentucky football player and member of the 2011 Super Bowl Champion Green Bay Packers, by erecting signs on both entrances into the city of Murray on United States Highway 641 that read "Home of Tim Masthay, 2011 Super Bowl Champion." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at the locations specified in this section that read "Home of Tim Masthay, 2011 Super Bowl Champion." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

➔Section 15. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the life, service, and accomplishments of the nation's 40th president, Ronald Wilson Reagan, by designating Interstate 275, for its entire length inside the boundaries of the Commonwealth, as the "Ronald Reagan Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 16. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to designate Kentucky Route 7 in Letcher County, from the Perry County line at mile point 0 to its intersection with Kentucky Route 15 at the western limits of Isom at mile point 13.497 as the "Ruben Watts Memorial Highway." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs that read "Ruben Watts Memorial Highway" at each end of the route identified in this section, and at appropriate intervals in between.

➔Section 17. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the portion of United States Highway 60 from the intersection of KY 1, mile point 24.80, to KY 207, mile point 30.54, the "Firefighter Leslie Keith Gillum Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs identifying this portion of highway as the "Firefighter Leslie Keith Gillum Memorial Highway."

➔Section 18. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the portion of United States Highway 60 from KY 207, mile point 30.54, to the Carter/Boyd County line, mile point 34.84, the "Captain Warne Hall Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs identifying this portion of highway as the "Captain Warne Hall Memorial Highway."

➔Section 19. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the Wolf family by designating the bridge on 31E from KY 509 to Whitesides Drive as the "Wolf Bridge." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at both ends of the bridge specified in this section that read "Wolf Bridge."

➔Section 20. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to designate Kentucky Route 1120 within the city limits of Bellevue, as the "SPC Russell Madden Memorial Parkway." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs that read "SPC Russell Madden Memorial Parkway" at each end of the route specified in this section and at appropriate intervals in between.

➔Section 21. The Transportation Cabinet shall memorialize the service and contributions of former KSP Trooper Joseph "Leo" Mudd by designating Kentucky Route 88 in Grayson County, from its intersection with Kentucky Route 1214 (mile point 2.426) to its intersection with Kentucky Route 226 (mile point 5.962), as the "Leo Mudd Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 22. The Transportation Cabinet shall extend the "Don J. Jenkins Highway" to include all of United States Route 231 in Butler County, and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation. The signs erected under this section shall include an indication that Don Jenkins is a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

➔Section 23. The Transportation Cabinet shall memorialize the service and contributions of former Westport volunteer fire chief Chris Stock by designating Kentucky Route 524 in Oldham County from 18 Mile Creek Road to 2nd Street in the community of Westport, as the "Chris Stock Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation."

➔Section 24. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the memory of Roy Ratliff by designating the unnamed twin bridge on Kentucky Route 1428 in the city of Martin as the "Roy Ratliff Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signs at both ends of the bridge specified in this section that read "Roy Ratliff Memorial Bridge."

Signed by Governor March 16, 2011.