

**CHAPTER 52****( SJR 78 )**

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

WHEREAS, James Martin Simon was born on December 30, 1950, and was raised in the Daviess County community of West Louisville; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from high school, James Martin Simon enlisted in the United States Army, where he served in Vietnam as an infantryman with the Third Infantry Regiment; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 1971, in the Vietnamese town of Quant Tri, SP4 James Martin Simon was killed in a firefight with the enemy; and

WHEREAS, James Martin Simon was the last man from Daviess County to sacrifice his life during the Vietnam War, a sobering reminder to this day that the cost of freedom is high, and borne on a deeply personal level by the families of those soldiers who give their last full measure of devotion; and

WHEREAS, the surviving family of James Martin Simon, including his brother Billy, who still lives in West Louisville, would be deeply honored by some tangible memorial to the service of James Martin Simon, however insignificant it might be; and

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 accomplishments that made them deserving of the honor; and

WHEREAS, these individuals have included former Governors, former members of the General Assembly, 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 designate Kentucky Route 56 in Daviess County, from the intersection with Kentucky Route 1554 near the town of Sorgho, to Cummings Road near Mount Saint Joseph's, as the "SP4 James Martin Simon Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 2. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 476, located between mile points 18 and 19, in Perry County as the "Mitchell Allen Memorial Bridge," and shall within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 3. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the portion of Kentucky Route 20 in Boone County, from Kentucky Route 237 to Conner Road, as the "Robert A. 'Bob' Flick Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 4. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Interstate 69 in the city of Hanson in Hopkins County, at exit 49, as the "Sgt. William Michael Coomes Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 5. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate United States Highway 23 in Pike County, from Robinson Creek to Esco, as the "Pvt. Amos Damron Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 6. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Bridge Number 098B00194N on Kentucky Route 122, just past the intersection of United States Route 460 and Kentucky Route 122 at Shelbiana in Pike County, the "Elmer 'Kebo' Keathley Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 7. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the new replacement bridge on Kentucky Route 191 in Morgan County as the "PFC Ralph Paul Terry Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 8. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the new replacement bridge on Kentucky Route 451 at Glomawr in Perry County as the "Jack Adams Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 9. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the accomplishments of Marlow Tackett by including him upon the Country Music Highway on United States Route 23 in Pike County, and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 10. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 55 in Taylor and Adair Counties, from the intersection with Kentucky Route 2972 in Adair County to the intersection with Kentucky Route 565 in Taylor County, as the "Captain Tony Grider Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 11. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the Kentucky Route 80 Connector in Floyd County, between Davis Road and Rebel Lane, as the "Hewen Spencer Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 12. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor the Pulaski County Maroons, the 2014 KHSAA Class 5A state football champions, by erecting signs entering Pulaski County, at the Pulaski County/Laurel County line on Kentucky Route 80 and at the Pulaski County/Lincoln County line on United States Highway 27, that read "Home of the Pulaski County Maroons 2014 KHSAA Class 5A State Football Champions." The sign shall be erected within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution and shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of its placement.

➔Section 13. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor the Southwestern High School Cheerleading Team, by erecting signs entering Pulaski County, at the Pulaski County/Russell County Line on the Cumberland Parkway and at the Pulaski County/McCreary County line on United States Highway 27, that read "Home of Southwestern High School 2013 & 2015 UCA National High School Cheerleading Champions." The sign shall be erected within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution and shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of its placement.

➔Section 14. The Transportation Cabinet shall add an indication on the sign naming the "Joe C. Paul Memorial Highway," enacted by 2012 Ky. Acts ch. 153, sec. 54, to indicate that Mr. Paul was a posthumous recipient of the Medal of Honor.

➔Section 15. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge located on Kentucky Route 550 at its intersection with Kentucky Route 476 near Hilton School Road in Perry County as the "CMSgt Merton Grigsby Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 16. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 36 in Nicholas County as the "Nicholas County Veterans Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage denoting this designation.

➔Section 17. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 36 in Bath County as the "Bath County Veterans Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage denoting this designation.

➔Section 18. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the Four Seam Bridge on Kentucky Route 15 in Perry County, as the "Dr. Eli C. Boggs Bridge." The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage denoting this designation.

➔Section 19. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor the Gatton Academy by erecting signs on Interstate 65 in both directions at the Warren County line that read, "Home of the Carol Martin Gatton Academy, Newsweek Magazine's #1 Public School in America, 2012-2014." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

➔Section 20. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 152 in Mercer County, from

Bruners Chapel Road (mile point 4.942) to the Salt River Park (mile point 8.866) as the "Hospital Corpsman Steve Bechtel Memorial Highway", and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 21. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 1722 in Rowan County, from mile marker 4 to mile marker 6, as the "Sgt. Ralph R. Swim 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 designate Kentucky Route 69 in Ohio County, through the city of Centertown, from mile-point 6.79 to mile-point 7.556, as the "F3C Welborn Lee Ashby Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 23. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 144 in Daviess County, from mile marker 8 to mile marker 16.2, as the "SP5 Charles Francis Millay Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 24. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the portion of United States Route 127 in Mercer County from the Anderson County line to the northern city limits of Harrodsburg as the "Officer Regina Nickles Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 25. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on United States Route 421 north of Hyden over Rockhouse Creek as the "SP-4 Kenneth Mosley Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 26. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the new bridge on Kentucky Route 163 in Monroe County, heading north out of Tompkinsville, as the "Mount Gilead Community Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 27. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 7 South from mile marker 4 to mile marker 5.1 in Knott County as the "World War II Veteran Claude Hall, Sr. Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 28. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 30 in Jackson County, from the Laurel County line to the community of Tyner, as the "Jackson County Veterans Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage denoting this designation.

→Section 29. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor Emmaleigh Bargo by erecting signs on United States Highway 25E at the Knox County/Laurel County line and at the Knox County/Bell County line that read, "Home of the 2014 U.S.T.A. National Trampoline Champion, Emmaleigh Bargo." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place at least one year from the date of their placement.

→Section 30. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor Zachary Dixon by erecting signs on United States Highway 25E at the Knox County/Laurel County line and at the Knox County/Bell County line that read "Home of the 2014 4-H Barrel Racing Champion, Zachary Dixon." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

→Section 31. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor Connor Patterson by erecting signs on United States Route 150 entering Lincoln County, at the Boyle County line and the Rockcastle County line, that read "Home of Connor Patterson 2014 National Archery Champion." The sign shall be erected within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, and shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of its placement.

→Section 32. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 61 in Adair County, from mile-point 11.8 to mile-point 13, as the "Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 33. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 351 in Henderson County between mile point 4.7 and mile point 5.3 as the "Chase Ryan Trent Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 34. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 699 in Leslie County, north of Coon Creek Road, as the "Pvt. Frank Baker Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 35. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 52 in Estill County, from the Madison/Estill County line to the bridge in Irvine, as the "SFC William Myron Williams Memorial Highway," and

shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 36. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor Zetta Morgan by erecting signs on Kentucky Route 192 Bypass in Laurel County that read, "Zetta Morgan, 4-H Foods Demonstration, KY State Champion, 2014-15." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

→Section 37. The Transportation Cabinet shall honor Bailey Vigeant by erecting signs on Kentucky Route 192 Bypass in Laurel County that read, "Home of Bailey Vigeant, 2013-2014 4-H Barrel Racing Champion." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

→Section 38. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 67 in Greenup County, near Interstate 64, south of East Park Drive, as the "World War II Veterans Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 39. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on United States Highway 23 in Greenup County, over Tygart Creek near South Shore, as the "Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 40. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 8 in Greenup County, from the Carl D. Perkins Bridge to the U.S. Grant Bridge, as the "Veterans Memorial Mile," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 41. The Transportation Cabinet shall add an honorary designation for Sterling Orlando Neal Jr. onto the exiting designation of the Sterling Orlando Neal, Sr., Memorial Overpass enacted by 2012 Ky. Acts ch. 153, sec. 41.

→Section 42. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the newly constructed section of Kentucky Route 90W in Cumberland County, also known as the Leslie Curve portion, as the "R. Fred Capps Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 43. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 40 in Johnson County, east of Paintsville over the Big Sandy River, as the "KSP Trooper Alex Rubado Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 44. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 611 in Pike County as the "Willie, Ferbie, and Larry Belcher Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 45. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 965 in Bath County as the "PFC Roscoe R. Cassidy Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

**Signed by Governor March 23, 2015.**