

CHAPTER 81**(SJR 44)**

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

WHEREAS, Jim Bunning, former United States Senator, Hall of Fame pitcher, and beloved son of this great Commonwealth, departed this earthly life and entered into the kingdom of Heaven on May 26, 2017, leaving his family, friends, and all those whose lives he touched in solemn mourning; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bunning was born in Southgate, Kentucky, on October 23, 1931, the cherished son of Louis and Gladys Best Bunning; and

WHEREAS, after pitching for his alma mater Xavier University, Jim Bunning went on to pitch for 17 total seasons in Major League Baseball with four different clubs: the Detroit Tigers, the Philadelphia Phillies, the Pittsburgh Pirates, and the Los Angeles Dodgers. He would become just the second pitcher in Major League Baseball history to win at least 100 games, record 1,000 strikeouts, and throw no-hitters in both the American and National Leagues. He ended his extraordinary career in 1971 having recorded 2,855 strikeouts, second only to the great Walter Johnson; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bunning was elected to the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York, in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bunning began his career in public service on the nonpartisan Fort Thomas City Council in 1977. It was his first foray into politics, and it would become the foundation of the next two decades of his life; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, Jim Bunning was elected to the Kentucky State Senate. He would go on to become Minority Leader, unseating his future running mate for Governor, Jefferson County's Eugene Stuart; and

WHEREAS, after his loss to Martha Layne Collins in the 1983 gubernatorial race, Jim Bunning was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1986. He served six terms in the House and was elected to the United States Senate in 1998; and

WHEREAS, a staunch and outspoken conservative, Jim Bunning became both a tireless advocate for the conservative cause and a fearless, tenacious fighter who opposed such issues as illegal immigration and the policies of the Federal Reserve; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bunning retired in 2010, drawing to a close an extraordinary career in public service; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bunning is survived by his wife, Mary; sons, David, Jim, Bill, and Mark; daughters, Barb, Joan, Cat, Bridget, and Amy; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a host of other family members, friends, and loved ones who will dearly miss his presence in their lives; 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 Interstate 471 in its entirety within the Commonwealth in honor and memory of James Paul David "Jim" Bunning and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signage for the highway designation that reads:

"Jim Bunning Memorial Highway
Former U.S. Senator
& Major League Baseball Hall of Famer."

➔Section 2. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the portion of Kentucky Route 20 (Petersburg Road) in Boone County, from the intersection with Bullittsville-Francisville Road, at mile point 14.525, to the intersection with Kentucky Route 237, at mile point 16.622, as the "Irene Patrick Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 3. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate United States Highway 421 in Leslie County, from its intersection with Stone Coal Branch Road to its intersection with Calvin Drive, as the "Charles and Ruth Roark Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage. The designation under this section shall supersede any previous designations for this section of highway.

➔Section 4. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate a portion of Kentucky Route 1083 in Warren County, from the intersection with United States Route 68, at mile point 0, to the intersection with Tommy Smith Road, at mile point 2.515, as the "First Lt. Robert Henderson II Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 5. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 17X, the Independence Bypass, in Kenton County as the "Jed K. Deters Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 6. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the Russellville Bypass in Logan County, United States Route 79, from mile point 10.7 to mile point 16.184, as the "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Highway" 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 Kentucky Route 55 in Shelby and Henry Counties, from the intersection with Kentucky Route 43 in Shelbyville to the city limits of Eminence, as the "Marshall Long Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 8. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 259 in Grayson County, from the intersection with Kentucky Route 3155, to the Breckenridge County line, as the "John Stephen Asher Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 9. The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect honorary highway signs on United States Route 23, at both locations where it enters Pike County, that read "Home of Emma Johns, 2019 Miss Kentucky Teen USA." The signs erected under this Resolution shall remain in place for a minimum of one year.

➔Section 10. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 331 in Daviess County as the "C. Waitman Taylor, Jr. 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 a portion of Kentucky Route 371 (Buttermilk Pike) in Kenton County, from the intersection with United States Route 25, at mile point 1.817, to the I-71/I-75 overpass at mile point 2.887, as the "Senator Richard L. 'Dick' Roeding Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs.

➔Section 12. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 55 in Marion County, from the Marion/Washington county line to its intersection with Kentucky Route 2154, as the "Dr. Salem George Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 13. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 956 in Madison County, from the intersection with Interstate 75 to the intersection with United States Route 25, as the "Constable J.B. Marcum Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 14. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 1577 in Pulaski County as the "Ward Correll Memorial Highway" and shall within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 15. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 1247 in Pulaski County, in the community of Eubank, as the "Frey Todd Memorial Highway" and shall within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 16. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to honor the Clay County Middle School Cheer Team by placing honorary signs near the intersection of Kentucky Route 80 and the Hal Rogers Parkway, that read "Home of the Clay County Middle School Cheer Team 2019 UCA National Champions." The signs 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 their placement.

➔Section 17. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate United States Highway 25 in Laurel County, from its intersection with Kentucky Route 9006 to the Rockcastle River Bridge, as the "Roscoe Robinson Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 18. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to place signs on the Interstate 264 overpass over Bank Street in Jefferson County that read "Judge Benjamin Shobe Memorial Overpass" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 19. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to place signs on the Interstate 264 overpass over Greenwood Avenue in Jefferson County that read "Sterling Neal Sr. and Jr. Memorial Overpass" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 20. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to place signs on the Interstate 264 overpass over Virginia Avenue in Jefferson County that read "Rev. Dr. James A. Crumlin Sr. Memorial Overpass" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage. The designation under this section shall supersede any previous designations for this section of highway.

➔Section 21. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the Laurel River Bridge on Kentucky Interstate 75 in Laurel County as the "SFC Lance S. Cornett Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 22. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on United States Route 68 in Mason County over the North Fork of the Licking River at mile point 8.555 (Bridge ID# 081B00013N) as the "Billy F. Ross Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

➔Section 23. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to honor the Knox Central High School Cheer Squad by placing honorary signs on United States Highway 25E, at the Knox County/Bell County line and the Knox County/Laurel County line that read, "Home of the Knox Central High School Cheer Squad, 2018 Class 2A State Champions." The signs 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 their placement.

➔Section 24. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on United States Route 27 in Pendleton County over the South Fork of the Licking River (Bridge Number 096B00002N) as the "John Ayers Merritt Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage denoting this designation.

➔Section 25. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the overpass on Interstate 69 at mile marker 71.784 in Lyon County as the "Investigator Brandon Thacker Memorial Overpass" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 26. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 32 in Rowan County, from its intersection with Messer Road to its intersection with Kentucky Route 173, as the "Joshua Ferguson 'EFD 722' Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

➔Section 27. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to honor Alvin Stamper by placing honorary signs in Laurel County, with the location to be determined by the Highway District 11 Chief District Engineer, which read "Home of the 2006 to 2018 Garrard County Tobacco Cutting Champion, Alvin Stamper." The signs erected under this section shall remain in place for at least one year from the date of their placement.

→Section 28. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor Roby Mullins by erecting a sign on United States Route 27 at the Lincoln County/Garrard County line that reads "Home of Roby Mullins, 2018 NASP 3D World Archery Champion and 3D Outdoor World 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 29. The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect highway signs on Kentucky Route 39 near Garrard County High School that read "GCHS, Home of 2019 National Beta Convention Competition Qualifiers Alex Canada, Dylan Driskell, Maddie Jordan, and Emma Warren." The signs placed under this section shall remain in place for at least one year.

→Section 30. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate a portion of Kentucky Route 80 in Leslie County, from the intersection with Daisy Lane to the intersection with United States Route 421, as the "SFC Lida Felner Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 31. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 2057 over Cutshin Creek in Leslie County (Bridge # 066B00055N) as the "Cpl. Willie Boggs Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

→Section 32. The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect honorary signs on Kentucky Route 461 near Rockcastle County High School that read "RCHS FFA Small Engine Team, 2018 State Champions." The signs erected under this Resolution shall remain in place for one year.

→Section 33. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to honor McKenzie Settles by erecting a sign on United States Route 27 at the Boyle County/Lincoln County line that reads, "Home of McKenzie Settles, 2018 NASP/IBO 3D State 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 34. The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect a sign on United States Route 27 at the Lincoln County/Pulaski County line that reads "Home of Ember Genco, 2018 Little Miss United States." The sign erected under this Resolution shall remain in place for a minimum of one year.

→Section 35. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate a portion of New Kentucky Route 98 in Allen County, from mile point 3.3 to mile point 4.5, as the "Barbara Gibbs Mays Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signs.

→Section 36. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 100 in Allen County, at mile point 9.155, that spans Trammel Creek, as the "Magistrate Roman Perry, Jr. Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs.

→Section 37. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to place signs in Laurel County, on Kentucky Route 9006 in front of North Laurel Middle School and on Kentucky Route 472 near the school, which read "Home of the North Laurel Middle School 6th-Grade Girls and Boys Basketball Teams 2019 KBC State Champs." The signs under this section 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 their placement.

→Section 38. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to honor Katie Bouchard by placing honorary signs on United States Highway 231 at the Daviess County/Spencer County, Indiana line, and on Kentucky Route 54 near its intersection with Kentucky Route 1456 that read "Home of Katie Bouchard, Miss Kentucky 2018." The signs 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 their placement.

→Section 39. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 144 in Daviess County, from its intersection with Kentucky Route 603 to its intersection with United States Highway 60, as the "Lance Corporal Michael Wayne Simon Memorial Highway" 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 2565 in Lawrence County as the "Preece Brothers Memorial Highway" and shall within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

→Section 41. The Transportation Cabinet shall erect honorary signs on Interstate 75 near exit 11 that read "Williamsburg, Home of Nick Wilson, Winner of 'Survivor: David and Goliath'." The signs under this section shall be erected within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution and shall remain in place for at least one year.

➔Section 42. The Transportation Cabinet shall erect honorary signs on United States Route 31W near South Warren High School that read "South Warren Spartans, 2018 KHSAA Class 5A Football Champions." The signs under this section shall be erected within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution and shall remain in place for at least one year.

➔Section 43. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 582 in Knott County, from its intersection with Mallet Fork Road to its intersection with Honeycutt Road, as the "Robert and Nasreeda Short Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage. The designation under this section shall supersede any previous designations for this section of highway.

➔Section 44. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 899 in Knott County, at mile point 11.807 (Bridge # 060B00041N) as the "Dewayne Hall Memorial Bridge, KIA Korean War" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs.

➔Section 45. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 22 over the Kentucky River between Lockport and Gratz (Bridge # 052B00083N) as the "Alan Thomas Truman Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs.

➔Section 46. The Transportation Cabinet shall erect highway signs on Kentucky Route 139 in Trigg County, at the intersections with Hayden Street and Brown Street, that read "Cadiz, Home of Genesis Express, Inc., Serving the Community for Over 30 Years." The signs under this section shall be erected within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution and shall remain in place for at least one year.

➔Section 47. The Transportation Cabinet shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect highway signs on United States Route 60 in Boyd County, near the entrance to Boyd County High School, that read "Home of Savannah Wheeler, 2019 Kentucky Miss Basketball." The signs erected in accordance with this section shall remain in place for a minimum of one year.

➔Section 48. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 90X in Wayne County, from the intersection with Kentucky Route 92 to the intersection with Barnes Drive, as the "Gene 'Cedar' Wright Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

Signed by Governor March 25, 2019.