

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating a bridge on Kentucky Route 840 in Harlan County as the "PO3 Eddie Ray Huddleston Memorial Bridge."

WHEREAS, Eddie Ray Huddleston was born September 28, 1946, in Harlan County to Dewitt Huddleston and Jesse Boggs Huddleston; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Ray Huddleston was a veteran of the United States Navy, and served during the Vietnam War, obtaining the rank of Petty Officer Third Class; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Ray Huddleston retired as a conductor for CSX Railroad; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Ray Huddleston was a 42-year member of the Loyall American Legion Post #273, an honorary Kentucky Colonel, and a lifelong member of VFW Post #11139; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Ray Huddleston was also one of the founding members of the Harlan County Honor Guard; and

WHEREAS, Monday, December 22, 2014, Eddie Ray Huddleston departed these earthly bounds. He was preceded in death by his wife, Brenda Sue Huddleston; four brothers: James (Bud), Willard, Wilford, and John Paul; and two sisters: Elizabeth Ann and Nora June. Survivors include four children: Eddie Ray Huddleston II, Scott Brent Huddleston, Jessica Sousa, and Brian Marsingill; two brothers: George and Charles Dewitt; two sisters: Margaret Henry and Barbara Rippey; and a host of family and friends; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly sees fit to honor the life and memory of PO3 Eddie Ray Huddleston by designating a bridge in his honor;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky Route 840, East of Loyall that spans the Cumberland River near the Harlan County Honor Guard building as the "PO3 Eddie Ray Huddleston Memorial Bridge," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.