

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the "Elmer 'Kebo' Keathley Memorial Bridge" in Pike County.

WHEREAS, Elmer "Kebo" Keathley, a native of Floyd County and graduate of Betsy Layne High School, was a highway equipment operator in Highway District 12; and

WHEREAS, Elmer "Kebo" Keathley was an unforgettable young man who served the citizens of Highway District 12 with dignity and commitment; and

WHEREAS, during the July 2010 flood, when Harless Creek, Raccoon Creek, and other communities were devastated, Elmer "Kebo" Keathley was the first person out monitoring roads, dispatching crews to clean up slides and get roads open, and contacting emergency services when people were discovered trapped or in some sort of distress; and

WHEREAS, Elmer "Kebo" Keathley was the type of person who transformed a crew into a family, organized the Highway District 12 softball team, cooked for special occasions or no occasion, and was the glue that held it all together; and

WHEREAS, Elmer "Kebo" Keathley nearly gave his life one winter when his snowplow slid over the hill between Raccoon and Pompey; and

WHEREAS, Elmer "Kebo" Keathley traversed these earthly bounds suddenly and unexpectedly at the age of 39; and

WHEREAS, Elmer "Kebo" Keathley's passing has left a void in the lives of all that knew him;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. 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.