

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating a portion of Kentucky Route 2155 in Daviess County as the "SP4 Charles Rates Lewis Jr. Memorial Highway."

WHEREAS, Charles Rates Lewis Jr. was a native of Owensboro, the son of Charles Sr. and Larissa Moorman Lewis, the oldest of their 16 children; and

WHEREAS, Charles Rates Lewis Jr. was a member of the United States Army, B Company, 3rd Battalion, 39th Infantry; and

WHEREAS, Charles Rates Lewis Jr. served his country during the Vietnam War. While involved in ground action in the Long An Province in South Vietnam, SP4 Charles Rates Lewis Jr. was killed in action; and

WHEREAS, SP4 Charles Rates Lewis Jr. was the only African-American soldier from Owensboro killed during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly sees fit to honor the life, memory, and sacrifice of Charles Rates Lewis Jr.;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 2155 in Daviess County, from 3rd Street to 27th Street, as the "SP4 Charles Rates Lewis Jr. Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.