

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating Kentucky Route 3380 in Floyd County in honor and memory of World War II veteran Homer Hamilton.

WHEREAS, while serving his country during World War II, Homer Hamilton was shot, but still mustered the strength to hold several German soldiers captive until his fellow soldiers arrived and took them as POW's; and

WHEREAS, during his recovery, Homer Hamilton was side-by-side with Bob Dole; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamilton was awarded the Purple Heart as well as many other medals of valor during his service with the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamilton was employed by the Department of Highways and used his influence to get a portion of Tinker Fork adopted into the state highway system, Kentucky Route 3380, which will now bear his name; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamilton aided in the fight against poverty by working with the AmeriCorps Vista program, even providing room and board in his own home; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamilton also assisted many families in obtaining water wells through various programs. Hamilton also helped in the effort to obtain water for the city of Mud Creek; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamilton was instrumental in establishing the Mud Creek Clinic, which was originally located at his residence prior to moving to its present home in the community of Grethel; and

WHEREAS, Homer Hamilton was influential in establishing the Mud Creek Fire Department and bringing a mail route to the Mud Creek area; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to the Mud Creek area was so great that Homer Hamilton even drove a school bus for Betsy Layne High School, often driving the kids to basketball games and shows; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly sees fit to honor the public service and memory of Homer Hamilton by designating a roadway in his honor;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 3380 in Floyd County as the "Homer Hamilton Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.