

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION designating Interstate 471 in honor and memory of James
2 Paul David "Jim" Bunning.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

27 WHEREAS, a staunch and outspoken conservative, Jim Bunning became both a

1 tireless advocate for the conservative cause and a fearless, tenacious fighter who opposed
2 such issues as illegal immigration and the policies of the Federal Reserve; and

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

5 WHEREAS, Jim Bunning is survived by his wife, Mary; sons, David, Jim, Bill, and
6 Mark; daughters, Barb, Joan, Cat, Bridget, and Amy; several grandchildren and great-
7 grandchildren; and a host of other family members, friends, and loved ones who will
8 dearly miss his presence in their lives; and

9 WHEREAS, from time to time, the General Assembly has seen fit to honor various
10 Kentuckians by naming portions of state highways and erecting commemorative roadway
11 signs in their honor; and

12 WHEREAS, these Kentuckians have come from all walks of life, held a multitude
13 of jobs, and had a variety of accomplishments that made them deserving of the honor; and

14 WHEREAS, these individuals have included former Governors, former members of
15 the General Assembly, decorated veterans, slain law enforcement officers, local elected
16 officials, astronauts, doctors, educators, distinguished athletes, and civic leaders; and

17 WHEREAS, every citizen of the Commonwealth owes a great debt of gratitude to
18 the patriotic men and women killed and wounded in service to their country in times of
19 great need; and

20 WHEREAS, the General Assembly has often honored the veterans of this state by
21 naming portions of several roads, from interstates to small two-lane country roads, in
22 their honor; and

23 WHEREAS, the General Assembly again sees fit to honor a group of individuals
24 who have made the lives of their fellow Kentuckians better and brought honor and respect
25 to the Commonwealth;

26 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

1 →Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Interstate 471 in its
2 entirety within the Commonwealth in honor and memory of James Paul David "Jim"
3 Bunning, and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect signage
4 for the highway designation that reads:

5 "Jim Bunning Memorial Highway

6 Former U.S. Senator

7 & Major League Baseball Hall of Famer."

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

13 →Section 3. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate United States Highway
14 421 in Leslie County, from its intersection with Stone Coal Branch Road to its
15 intersection with Calvin Drive, as the "Charles and Ruth Roark Memorial Highway," and
16 shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signage.

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

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

26 →Section 6. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the Russellville Bypass in
27 Logan County, United States Route 79, from mile point 10.7 to mile point 16.184, as the

1 "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the
2 effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.

3 ➔Section 7. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 55 in
4 Shelby and Henry Counties, from the intersection with Kentucky Route 43 in Shelbyville
5 to the city limits of Eminence, as the "Marshall Long Memorial Highway" and shall,
6 within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting
7 this designation.

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

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

17 ➔Section 10. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 331 in
18 Daviess County as the "C. Waitman Taylor, Jr. Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30
19 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this
20 designation.

21 ➔Section 11. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate a portion of Kentucky
22 Route 371 (Buttermilk Pike) in Kenton County, from the intersection with United States
23 Route 25, at mile point 1.817, to the I-71/I-75 overpass at mile point 2.887, as the
24 "Senator Richard L. 'Dick' Roeding Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the
25 effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs.

26 ➔Section 12. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 55 in
27 Marion County, from the Marion/Washington county line to its intersection with

1 Kentucky Route 2154, as the "Dr. Salem George Memorial Highway," and shall, within
2 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

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

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

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

15 →Section 16. The Transportation Cabinet is directed to honor the Clay County
16 Middle School Cheer Team by placing honorary signs near the intersection of Kentucky
17 Route 80 and the Hal Rogers Parkway, that read "Home of the Clay County Middle
18 School Cheer Team 2019 UCA National Champions." The signs shall be erected within
19 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution and shall remain in place for at least one
20 year from the date of their placement.

21 →Section 17. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate United States Highway
22 25 in Laurel County, from its intersection with Kentucky Route 9006 to the Rockcastle
23 River Bridge, as the "Roscoe Robinson Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of
24 the effective date of this Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

25 →Section 18. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to place a sign on the
26 Interstate 264 overpass over Bank Street in Jefferson County that reads "Judge Benjamin
27 Shobe Memorial Overpass," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this

1 Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.

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

6 ➔Section 20. The Transportation Cabinet is hereby directed to place a sign on the
7 Interstate 264 overpass over Virginia Avenue in Jefferson County that reads "Rev. James
8 A. Crumlin Sr. Memorial Overpass," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this
9 Resolution, erect the appropriate signage.