

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the "Between the Rivers Bridge" in Trigg
2 County.

3 WHEREAS, Between the Rivers is an area of land composed of 170,000 acres
4 located in parts of Lyon and Trigg Counties of Western Kentucky and Stewart County,
5 Tennessee, between the Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers; and

6 WHEREAS, this area, now known as Land Between the Lakes (LBL), was once
7 home to more than 800 families; and

8 WHEREAS, after LBL was completed, the expected throngs of visitors never
9 appeared; in its busiest year, LBL served around one million people; and

10 WHEREAS, the close-knit community that had lived and farmed the area for
11 generations had been dispersed in the name of progress and a future that never arrived,
12 and many were left without land that had given them a livelihood; and

13 WHEREAS, in 1998, operational authority of LBL was transferred to the United
14 States Forest Service (USFS). The USFS has now closed many of the campsites and other
15 recreational aspects and is burning and clear-cutting parts of the wooded areas; and

16 WHEREAS, a dedicated group of former residents are leading a coalition against
17 what they see as the dismantling of LBL and the commercial nature of some of the timber
18 transactions. They do not want to feel their sacrifice, of both their property and
19 community, was made in vain; and

20 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Between the Rivers community be
21 remembered in a tangible way;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

24 ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on United
25 States Route 68 over Kentucky Route 453 (Forest Highway 100) as the "Between the
26 Rivers Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect
27 appropriate signs denoting this designation. The signs erected under this section shall

1 read:

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"Between the Rivers Bridges

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In Memory of All Former Residents."