

1           A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the Sgt. Billy Ray Patton Memorial Bridge in  
2 Lawrence County.

3           WHEREAS, Billy Ray Patton was born on February 25, 1930 to the late Ray and  
4 Mary Price Patton; and

5           WHEREAS, Billy Ray Patton grew up in the community of Buchanan in Lawrence  
6 County, in a two story log home along United States Route 23 when that highway was a  
7 two lane road; and

8           WHEREAS, Sgt. Billy Ray Patton answered his nation's call to service as a soldier  
9 in the United States Army during the Korean War; and

10          WHEREAS, Sgt. Billy Ray Patton served in a tank company in the 38th Infantry,  
11 Second Division; and

12          WHEREAS, Sgt. Billy Ray Patton was killed in action on September 19, 1952, at  
13 Charum, North Korea, and was laid to rest in the Buchanan Chapel Cemetery in his  
14 beloved hometown; and

15          WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize the service, patriotism, and  
16 sacrifice of Sgt. Billy Ray Patton in a tangible way;

17          NOW, THEREFORE,

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

19           ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on United  
20 States Route 23 over Bear Creek in Lawrence County, at mile point 28.396, as the "Sgt.  
21 Billy Ray Patton Memorial Bridge" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this  
22 Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.