

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the "Corporal Ben Eversole Memorial  
2 Bridge" on Kentucky Route 119 in Harlan County.

3 WHEREAS, Corporal Ben Eversole joined the Army on January 21, 1945; and

4 WHEREAS, Corporal Ben Eversole served as a Medium Tank Crewman, and  
5 received Advanced Armor Training at Fort Knox before being assigned to the European  
6 Theater during World War II; and

7 WHEREAS, Corporal Ben Eversole fought in Normandy, Northern France, and in  
8 the Rhineland where he was captured by German forces; and

9 WHEREAS, Corporal Ben Eversole was held as a prisoner of war for nine months,  
10 from October 4, 1944 to June 1, 1945; and

11 WHEREAS, Corporal Ben Eversole was held at Stalag 7A in Moosburg, Bavaria  
12 48-12 while imprisoned by the Germans; and

13 WHEREAS, Corporal Ben Eversole was awarded the Prisoner of War Medal, the  
14 American Theater Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, the World War II Victory Medal,  
15 and the European and African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon with three Bronze Service  
16 Stars; and

17 WHEREAS, this memorial bridge designation will serve as a constant reminder of  
18 Corporal Ben Eversole and all 140,000 Americans who were POWs during World War II;

19 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

21 ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate the bridge on Kentucky  
22 Route 119 at mile marker 28.394 in honor of Corporal Ben Eversole and shall erect signs  
23 that read:

24 "Corporal Ben Eversole

25 POW WWII

26 Memorial Bridge".

27 The signs shall be erected within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution.