

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the Sheriff Cecil "Dude" Cochran Memorial  
2 Highway in Madison County.

3 WHEREAS, Cecil Cochran, the son of the late Cecil Sr. and Arebell Marcum  
4 Cochran, was born on September 22, 1932, in Madison County at White Station; and

5 WHEREAS, Cecil Cochran, known to all in Madison County as "Dude," owned  
6 and operated Madison Furniture Company for 28 years alongside his wife, Betsy; he also  
7 operated a lime hauling business; and

8 WHEREAS, Dude Cochran was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, and was  
9 well respected throughout Madison County; and

10 WHEREAS, Dude Cochran served as a Madison County Deputy Sheriff from 1978-  
11 1982; and

12 WHEREAS, in 1982, Dude Cochran was elected Madison County Sheriff, a  
13 position he held until 2007; as the first sheriff elected who could succeed himself, he  
14 became the longest-serving sheriff in Madison County history; and

15 WHEREAS, Sheriff Cochran was a member of the Kentucky Sheriffs Association  
16 and an ardent supporter of the Kentucky Sheriffs' Boys and Girls Ranch; and

17 WHEREAS, Cecil Cochran traversed these earthly bounds on March 8, 2019,  
18 leaving behind a loving family and grateful community to mourn their loss and celebrate  
19 the extraordinary life he led; and

20 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that Cecil "Dude" Cochran's life of service be  
21 tangibly recognized;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

24 ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate United States Route 25 in  
25 Madison County, from mile point 9.565 to mile point 15.442, as the "Sheriff Cecil 'Dude'  
26 Cochran Memorial Highway" and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this  
27 Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.