



February 10, 2016

**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. 31**

DIGEST OF RESOLUTION

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February 9, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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Whereas, Trooper Robert Gillespie was killed in a traffic accident on Friday, June 8, 1962, while rushing to a call for assistance near Mitchell in Lawrence County;

Whereas, While traveling with his emergency lights on, Trooper Gillespie was forced to leave the road when a pickup truck slowed in front of him;

Whereas, Leaving the highway to avoid the pickup truck, Trooper Gillespie swerved back on the highway to avoid another car in his path when a third car struck his vehicle;

Whereas, Trooper Gillespie served with the Indiana State Police for nearly 12 years and was assigned to the Seymour post;

Whereas, In 1959, Trooper Gillespie was awarded the Indiana State Police Gold Star Award for Valor when, in spite of gunshot wounds, he continued to pursue a couple who had fired at him;

Whereas, Trooper Gillespie was also a United States Navy veteran serving in the Shore Patrol; and

Whereas, The valor and courage displayed by Trooper Gillespie deserve special recognition: Therefore,

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*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes the
2 bravery of Trooper Robert Gillespie by urging the Indiana Department
3 of Transportation to rename that section of State Road 37 between
4 Bedford and Mitchell "The Trooper Robert Gillespie Memorial
5 Highway".

6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
7 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of
8 Indiana State Police Trooper Robert Gillespie.

