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*Whereas, Born on April 1, 1922, former Representative Donald Dean died on April 3, 2007;*

*Whereas, The son of Frank C. and Betty Jeanette (Wines) Dean, Donald Dean graduated from Bloomfield High School in 1940;*

*Whereas, After graduation, Donald Dean enlisted in the Army and served for four years, six months, and 26 days as a technical sergeant in Tunisia, Sicily, and Italy during World War II serving under General George Patton and General Mark Clark;*

*Whereas, After earning six medal stars for dedicated service to his country, Donald Dean returned to Bloomfield and married Betty Jo Hasler, and together they had daughter Nancy and son David;*

*Whereas, Donald Dean was elected to the Indiana House of Representatives in 1978 where he served for 12 years;*

*Whereas, While in the General Assembly, Donald Dean served on the Public Policy Committee, the Roads and Transportation Committee, the County and Townships Committee, and the Natural Resources Committee and was chairman of the Veterans Affairs Committee;*



*Whereas, Donald Dean was instrumental in passing the Grandparents' Visitation Law, initiated the move to red and blue lights on all police cars, secured money for erecting the Veterans Bridge over the White River, assisted in expanding State Road 37 to four lanes from Bedford to south of Mitchell, and oversaw the creation of the Circuit and Superior Courts in Greene County;*

*Whereas, In addition to his duties with the Indiana House of Representatives, Donald Dean was active in the Greene County Republican Party for many years and was a member of the Bloomfield First Baptist Church, Bloomfield American Legion Post 196, the Disabled American Veterans, the Bloomfield Masonic Lodge F&AM 84, the Scottish Rite and Zorah Temple of Terre Haute, Linton Elks, and Greene County Shrine, and was a 50-year member of the Bloomfield Lions Club;*

*Whereas, Donald Dean was a patriotic and civic minded man who loved and served his country with great pride; and*

*Whereas, It is, therefore, fitting and proper that special recognition be given to former Representative Donald Dean for his many accomplishments and loyal service to his constituents and the state of Indiana: Therefore,*

*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 urges the Indiana  
2 Department of Transportation to rename that part of U.S. Highway 231  
3 from Interstate Highway 69 to the city of Bloomfield the "Donald W.  
4 Dean Memorial Highway".

5           SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of  
7 former Representative Donald W. Dean and the Commissioner of the  
8 Indiana Department of Transportation.

