

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 623

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A RESOLUTION to name a bridge on State Route 269 in Bedford County in honor of the late General William J. Hardee.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor the memory of those exemplary persons who, during their lifetimes, played an important role in shaping this State's history and heritage; and

WHEREAS, no personage is more deserving of this honor than the late General William J. Hardee; and

WHEREAS, during the Civil War, General Hardee and his troops made temporary headquarters at Beechwood Plantation in Wartrace, Bedford County; and

WHEREAS, as a result of their stay, General Hardee and his troops made a significant historical impact on the Beechwood property and the surrounding area of Bedford County; and

WHEREAS, the Bedford County Board of Commissioners has petitioned this Body to name a certain bridge located on State Route 269 to honor General Hardee's historical role in the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly most heartily concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the bridge located at mile marker 10.8 on State Route 269 in Bedford County is hereby designated the "Gen. William J. Hardee Memorial Bridge".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in the first resolving clause as the "Gen. William J. Hardee Memorial Bridge".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the department of transportation by Bedford County within one (1) year of the effective date of this resolution. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to Bedford County within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department by Bedford County within thirty (30) days of the county receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.