

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating a portion of Kentucky Route 1646 in Hardin County as the "Trooper Joseph Cameron Ponder Memorial Highway."

WHEREAS, Joseph Cameron Ponder, son of Joseph Ponder and Brenda Tiffany, was a native of Rineyville, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Cameron Ponder was a 2002 graduate from North Hardin High School, where he played football and baseball and was one of the best in the state in track during his senior year; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Cameron Ponder received a track scholarship to Western Kentucky University, but turned it down to enlist in the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Cameron Ponder was a combat veteran with over five years of service; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Cameron Ponder was an avid hunter and fisherman who loved the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Cameron Ponder graduated from the Kentucky State Police Academy and began working in January 2015 at Post 1 in Mayfield, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2015, Trooper Joseph Cameron Ponder was killed in the line of duty following a traffic stop; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Joseph Cameron Ponder is survived by his father, Joseph Ponder; his mother, Brenda Tiffany and her husband, Allan Tiffany; his sister, Kelly Ponder; two brothers, Damon Tiffany and Travis Tiffany; his grandmother, Erika Shook; a niece, Mahlea Starks; and his fiancée, Chrystal Coleman; and

WHEREAS, the passing of Trooper Joseph Cameron Ponder has left a void which cannot be filled, and he is mourned across the length and breadth of the Commonwealth by his family, friends, and the citizens he helped to keep safe; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the service and sacrifice of Trooper Joseph Cameron Ponder be memorialized;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

→Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 1646 in Hardin County, Kentucky, from its intersection with Kentucky Route 1815 to its intersection with Kentucky Route 361, as the "Trooper Joseph Cameron Ponder Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs denoting this designation.