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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NAMING OF BRIDGE

WHEREAS, Edgar Mullins was born March 10, 1922 on the Right Fork of Bold Camp Creek near Pound, Virginia and, except for three years of military service, has spent his entire life in Bold Camp; and

WHEREAS, Edgar Mullins spent his youth growing up in the Great Depression years with his first job being pounding rocks into county roads under the NYA Program of President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal; and later found employment in 1941 with Consolidation Coal Company as a coal loader, and after World War II he returned to the coal industry for employment, retiring in 1984 after 40-plus years with the same company, and was an active member of United Mine Workers of America Local Union 5741, Burdine, Kentucky, received his 70-year pin as a member of the UMWA, proudly served the Wise County Shrine Club for 35-plus years, and the Pound Masonic Lodge for 60-plus years; and

WHEREAS, Edgar Mullins, on December 7, 1941 was drawn into the conflict of World War II, where he served honorably in the US Army as an artillery man in the 1st Infantry Division in North Africa, Sicily, and Europe; participating in two major invasions, Sicily and Normandy (D-Day), being honorably discharged in 1945 after suffering an injury in the heat of battle in France; and

WHEREAS, Edgar Mullins was an active member of the Democrat Party and after being appointed to fill the unexpired term of Supervisor J.W. Adams, Edgar continued to be elected in the Gladeville-Roberson District and later District 1 until his retirement on December 31, 2003, giving him 23-plus years service to Wise County citizens; and during his term of service on the Wise County Board of Supervisors, Edgar served two terms as Vice-Chairman, served on the Wise County Coal Severance Committee, and Wise County Social Services Board, and

WHEREAS, Edgar Mullins' greatest contribution was his passion to improve roads and bridges in Wise County, and

WHEREAS, Edgar Mullins died on September 18, 2014.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wise County Board of Supervisors hereby requests that the Commonwealth Transportation Board declare that the bridge located on Route 666 on South Mountain Road near Pound be named in honor of Edgar Mullins.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County agrees to bear associated expenses in fabricating and future maintenance of sign.

ADOPTED this 13th day of November 2014.

ATTEST

WISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Robert R. Adkins, Chairman

