

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26**

(By Senators D. Facemire, Kessler (Acting President), Browning,  
Minard, Klempa, Yost and Unger)

Requesting the Division of Highways to name the bridge on County  
Rt. 23, near Walkersville in Lewis County, bridge number 21-  
23/-8.17, as the "SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson Memorial Bridge".

Whereas, SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson was born on February 17,  
1950 in Lewis County, died on June 11, 1971 in Binh Dhin, South  
Viet Nam by hostile fire and was a member of the elite group of  
special forces, C Co, 75th Infantry, 173rd Airborne, BDE Rangers;  
and

Whereas, SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson attended schools in Lewis  
County throughout his youth, graduating from Lewis County High  
School in the class of 1969, where he competed and was lettered in  
track and wrestling; and

Whereas, SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson sought to follow the example  
of his five older brothers, Tom, Roy, Branty, Jim and Roscoe, and  
became a member of the armed forces, performing his duty for  
country and home by serving in the Army of the United States,  
earning the rank of Specialist Four; and

Whereas, SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson, was the recipient of the

1 honorable ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL for the performance of  
2 exceptionally meritorious service in Vietnam from November 1970 to  
3 June 1971; and

4 Whereas, SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson, was awarded the PURPLE  
5 HEART by the President of the United States for wounds received in  
6 action; and

7 Whereas, SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson, was a kind and giving young  
8 man who loved his family, his community, his school, his nation and  
9 enjoyed riding motorcycles and life; and

10 Whereas, SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson, ultimately gave his rich,  
11 young life in the performance of his duty to country during which  
12 the Secretary of the Army describes him as displaying outstanding  
13 professional competence and devotion to duty and as reflecting  
14 great credit upon himself, his unit and the military service; and

15 Whereas, It is fitting to honor SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson for  
16 his service and for the gift of his young, exemplary life in the  
17 service of this nation and of us all; and

18 Whereas, The naming of a bridge in honor of SP4 Loyd Eugene  
19 Robinson is but a small gesture of gratitude and appreciation for  
20 the sacrifice made by this young man and suffered by his family;  
21 therefore, be it

22 *Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

23 That the Legislature hereby requests the Division of Highways  
24 to name the bridge on County Rt. 23, near Walkersville in Lewis

1 County, bridge number 21-23/-8.17, as the "SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson  
2 Memorial Bridge"; and, be it

3       *Further Resolved*, That the Division of Highways is hereby  
4 requested to have made and be placed signs identifying the bridge  
5 as the "SP4 Loyd Eugene Robinson Memorial Bridge"; and, be it

6       *Further Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Senate is hereby  
7 directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of  
8 the Department of Transportation; to Mr. Robinson's sisters, Lena  
9 Rose Nissel, Grace Belle Anderson, Nettie Gregory, Betty Mitchell,  
10 Hazel Blake and Katy Craig; to his surviving brothers, Jim  
11 Robinson, Roscoe Robinson and Johnny Robinson; and to next of kin  
12 of his deceased brothers, Thomas Robinson, Roy Curtis Robinson and  
13 Paul Branty Robinson, if not already receiving a certified copy as  
14 a surviving sibling.