

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9**

(By Senators Barnes, Helmick, Stollings, Klempa and Beach)

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Requesting the Division of Highways to name bridge number 36A154 on US Route 220 in Smoke Hole, Pendleton County, West Virginia the "Pendleton County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge".

Whereas, Many brave sons and daughters of Pendleton County, West Virginia responded to the call of their community, their state, and their nation to defend many of the values, ideals, and freedoms they held so dear by serving in our military during our nation's involvement in the Vietnam War; and

Whereas, Many of those brave sons and daughters also made the ultimate sacrifice to protect those values, ideals, and freedoms; and

Whereas, Over one hundred forty-five years ago President Abraham Lincoln reminded the American people that from those who made the ultimate sacrifice, that this nation "take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain"; and

Whereas, As a community, a state, and a nation, we must remain committed to working diligently to provide all our surviving warriors who returned home, and the families of our fallen, our

1 missing from the Vietnam War with our full support; and

2       Whereas, In dedication to the memory of all the sons and  
3 daughters of Pendleton County, West Virginia who served in the  
4 Vietnam War, let us recommit ourselves to never forget their  
5 sacrifices; and

6       Whereas, Let us commit ourselves to renew our commitment to  
7 the values and ideals that have made this nation what it is today,  
8 the greatest nation in the world; therefore, be it

9       *Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

10       That the Legislature hereby requests the Division of Highways  
11 name bridge number 36A154 on US Route 220 in Smoke Hole, Pendleton  
12 County, West Virginia the "Pendleton County Vietnam Veterans  
13 Memorial Bridge"; and, be it

14       *Further Resolved,* That the Division of Highways is requested  
15 to have made and be placed signs identifying bridge number 36A154  
16 the "Pendleton County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge"; and, be it

17       *Further Resolved,* That the Clerk of the Senate forward a  
18 certified copy of this resolution to the Pendleton County  
19 Commission and the Secretary of the Department of Transportation.