

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item #1

# RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

March 15, 2022

#### **MOTION**

<u>Made By:</u> Dr. Smoot <u>Seconded By:</u> Mr. Johnsen <u>Action:</u> Motion carried, unanimously

Title: Bridge Naming: "Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge"

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors has requested, by resolution dated October 19, 2021, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), to honor the life and service to his community of Winfred Henry Hopkins, name the bridge on Route 718, Colonial Turnpike, over the Pigg River, Franklin County, as the "Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge"; and

**WHEREAS,** Franklin County, by resolution dated October 19, 2021 has agreed to pay the cost of producing, placing and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located or by the private entity whose name is attached to the transportation facility so named.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the CTB hereby names the bridge on Route 718, Colonial Turnpike, over the Pigg River, Franklin County, as the "Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge".

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that VDOT is directed to produce, place, and maintain the signs calling attention to this naming, and secure payment from Franklin County for these costs as required by law.

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#### **CTB Decision Brief**

Bridge Naming: "Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge"

**Issue:** Commemorative naming of the bridge on Route 718, Colonial Turnpike, over the Pigg River, Franklin County as the "Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge".

**Facts:** Franklin County enacted a resolution on October 19, 2021 to honor the life and contributions to his community of Winfred Henry Hopkins of Franklin County, Virginia.

According to the Franklin County resolution:

Mr. Hopkins grew up in the community of Snow Creek on land at the bridge on Colonial Turnpike. He was respected and well known throughout the community and was a community leader during his lifetime. He was a family man and has children and grandchildren who live at the foot of this bridge. He was respected by all who knew him until his death on October 25, 2017.

**Recommendations**: The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recommends this request be approved.

**Action Required by CTB**: The *Code of Virginia* requires a majority of the CTB members to approve a resolution naming a highway or bridge, as appropriate. A resolution will be provided for the Board's consideration.

**Result if Approved**: The bridge on Route 718, Colonial Turnpike, over the Pigg River, Franklin County will be known as the "Windred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge". In accordance with law and by resolution, Franklin County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

**Options:** Approve, Deny, or Defer.

**Public Comments/Reactions:** VDOT is not aware of any opposition to this proposal.



#### **RESOLUTION #05-10-2021**

### NAMING THE BRIDE ON ROUTE 718, COLONIAL TURNPIKE OVER THE PIGG RIVER FRANKLIN COUNTY, VIRGINIA "THE WINFRED HENRY HOPKINS MEMORIAL BRIDGE"

WHEREAS, Winfred Henry Hopkins grew up in the community of Snow Creek on land at the bridge on Colonial Turnpike, Route 718, in Franklin County, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hopkins was respected and well-known throughout the community and was a community leader during his lifetime; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hopkins' was a family man and has children and grandchildren who live at the foot of the bridge on Colonial Turnpike, Route 718, in the community he served in Franklin County, Virginia until his death on October 25, 2017; and

WHEREAS, it is an honor for the Franklin County Board of Supervisors to change the name the newly constructed Colonial Turnpike bridge on Route 718, to "The Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge" in memory of such a respected individual by all that knew him; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that The Franklin County Board of Supervisors, in accordance with the requirements of Section 33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia, does hereby request that the Commonwealth Transportation Board name the bridge on Route 718, Colonial Turnpike, over the Pigg River in Franklin County, as the "Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Franklin County Board of Supervisor has agreed to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors to approve the consent items #4 as presented.

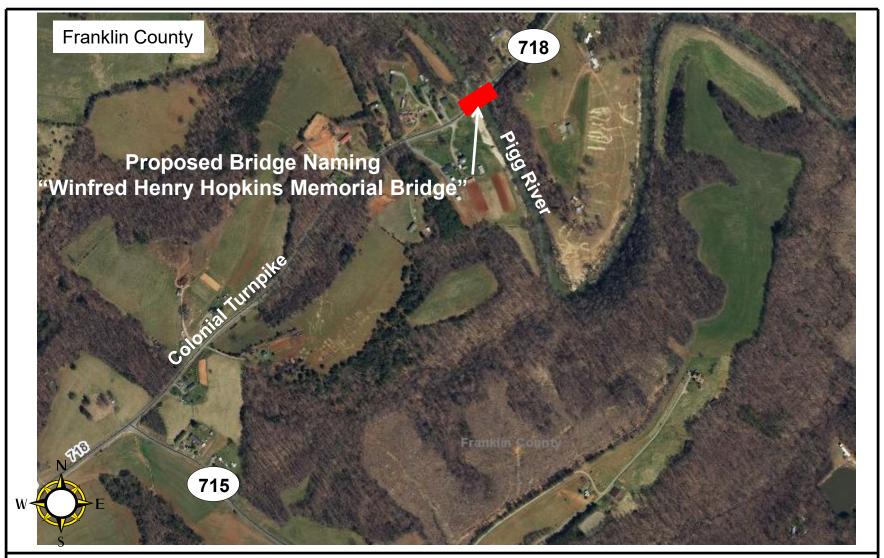
**VOTING ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:** 

AYES: Carter, L. Mitchell, R. Mitchell, Smith, Tatum, Thompson

ABSENT: Cundiff

Madeline L. Sefcik, CMC

Clerk, Franklin County Board of Supervisors





Franklin County

Proposed Bridge Naming: "Winfred Henry Hopkins Memorial Bridge"