



Smyth County Board of Supervisors

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RESOLUTION

Naming the Cedar Branch Bridge in Smyth County as the "Blake Wiley Farris, Jr. Memorial Bridge"

At the April 9, 2013 meeting of the Smyth County Board of Supervisors, the Board adopted the following:

SUPERVISORS:

Wade H. Blevins, Jr., Chairman, Chilhowie District
M. Todd Dishner, Vice Chairman, Park District
Rick K. Blevins, Rye Valley District
Ron C. Blevins, North Fork District
J. Howard Burton, Atkins District
Roscoe D. Call, Saltville District
Regina H. Davidson, Royal Oak District

VOTE:

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WHEREAS, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors has received a request from the Saltville VFW to assist in naming a bridge in Blake Wiley Farris, Jr.'s honor; and

WHEREAS, Blake Wiley Farris, Jr., Lance Corporal, served in the United States Marine Corp as a Rifleman, 1st Platoon, D- Company, 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd Marine Division; and

WHEREAS, Blake Wiley Farris, Jr. was killed on January 30, 1968 by artillery, rocket or mortar fire while serving his country;

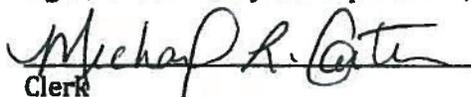
WHEREAS, Blake Wiley Farris, Jr. lived near the Cedar Branch Bridge and traveled over the bridge for many years; and

WHEREAS, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors adopts this resolution for the Commonwealth Transportation Board to consider the approval of naming the Cedar Branch Bridge in Smyth County as the Blake Wiley Farris, Jr. Memorial Bridge; and

WHEREAS, per the Virginia Code Section 33.1-12(4), the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining these signs shall be paid by the counties, cities, and towns in which they are located.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Smyth County Board of Supervisors, does hereby request the Commonwealth Transportation Board consider approval to name the Cedar Branch Bridge in Smyth County the Blake Wiley Farris, Jr. Memorial Bridge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Smyth County Board of Supervisors request that the appropriate signs, as directed by the Department, be placed calling attention to this designation.


Clerk
Smyth County Board of Supervisors

7-3-13
Date