

1           A JOINT RESOLUTION designating a portion of Kentucky Route 869 in Metcalfe  
2 County in honor and memory of Sheriff Ricky Brooks.

3           WHEREAS, Ricky Monroe Brooks was the son of Richard Clink and Ruth Brooks;  
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5           WHEREAS, Sheriff Ricky Brooks was a veteran of the Iraq War. He served in the  
6 Kentucky National Guard with the Alpha Battery of the 623rd Field Artillery Battalion;  
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8           WHEREAS, in January of 2005, Sheriff Ricky Brooks was involved in an  
9 improvised explosive device (IED) explosion near Baghdad that took the life of his  
10 brother-in-law, Specialist Eric Toth. The explosion left Brooks with second and third  
11 degree burns on several parts of his body; and

12           WHEREAS, for his valor in defending this great country, Sheriff Ricky Brooks was  
13 awarded a Purple Heart; and

14           WHEREAS, Sheriff Ricky Brooks went on to dedicate his life to law enforcement.  
15 He was a Sheriff's Deputy with the Metcalfe County Sheriff's Department, and later an  
16 officer with the Edmonton Police Department and the Glasgow Police Department; and

17           WHEREAS, Sheriff Ricky Brooks would eventually join and retire from the  
18 Kentucky State Police where he was an undercover narcotics officer and a homicide  
19 detective; and

20           WHEREAS, in November of 2018, the people of Metcalfe County elected Brooks  
21 as Metcalfe County Sheriff; and

22           WHEREAS, Sheriff Ricky Brooks was diagnosed with leukemia. In his battle with  
23 leukemia, Sheriff Ricky Brooks bravely endured two rounds of chemotherapy and a 100-  
24 day stem cell treatment; and

25           WHEREAS, on Saturday, August 3, 2019, Sheriff Ricky Brooks' battle with cancer  
26 came to an end as he traversed these earthly bounds; and

27           WHEREAS, Sheriff Ricky Brooks is survived by his wife Mindy Asbury Brooks;

1 sons Codie and Payton Brooks both of Edmonton; brother Christopher Clink of New  
2 York; stepbrother Matthew (Sean) Jones of Chicago; sisters Bridget (David) Traylor of  
3 Summer Shade, Andrea (Chad) Vincent of Edmonton, Madison Brooks of Edmonton,  
4 Jennilee (Brent) Same of Buffalo, New York, and Kayla Clink of Lansing, New York; his  
5 maternal grandparents Karl and Nancy Chase of Knob Lick; his father and mother-in-law,  
6 Billy Joe and Gay Asbury; Sisters-in-law Ellen (John) Tandy of Gamaliel and Cindy  
7 (Josh) Herrington of Center; and special friends Deward and Sandy Lile;

8 NOW, THEREFORE,

9 ***Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

10 ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 869 in  
11 Metcalfe County, from mile point 0.0 to mile point 4.968 as the "Sheriff Ricky Brooks  
12 Memorial Highway," and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution,  
13 erect the appropriate signage.