**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE BRIDGE ON EL BETHEL ROAD THAT CROSSES THICKETTY CREEK IN CHEROKEE COUNTY “COLONEL JAMES STEEN MEMORIAL BRIDGE” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS BRIDGE THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS “COLONEL JAMES STEEN MEMORIAL BRIDGE”.

Whereas, Colonel James Steen was a prominent militia officer in the American Revolution, serving from 1775 to 1781, in the Snow Campaign, Commanding Price’s Fort, serving in Georgia, then at Stono, Savannah, Charleston, the Battle of Rocky Mount, the Battle of Hanging Rock, the Battle of Musgrove’s Mill, the Battle of King’s Mountain, and the Battle of Cowpens; and

Whereas, in the summer of 1781, while endeavoring to arrest a Tory in Rowan County, North Carolina, he was stabbed, surviving only a week; and

Whereas, Colonel James Steen and his brother John Steen held land grants along Thicketty Creek and had a family plantation and family cemetery near Thicketty Creek on El Bethel Road in Cherokee County; and

Whereas, it would be appropriate to name the bridge on El Bethel Road over Thicketty Creek in his honor. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly request the Department of Transportation name the bridge on El Bethel Road that crosses Thicketty Creek in Cherokee County “Colonel James Steen Memorial Bridge” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this bridge that contain the words “Colonel James Steen Memorial Bridge”.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

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