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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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2 Department of Transportation to rename a bridge on U.S. Route
3 27 in Fort Wayne as the "Fort Wayne Veterans Memorial
4 Bridge".

5 *Whereas, The Indiana Department of Transportation has*
6 *jurisdiction over highways in the state system, including those*
7 *located in municipalities;*

8 *Whereas, The Indiana Department of Transportation has*
9 *jurisdiction over a bridge that spans the St. Marys River and is*
10 *located on U.S. Route 27, known locally as Spy Run Avenue;*

11 *Whereas, The bridge provides a northern entrance to the Old*
12 *Fort, a point of destination recognizing the historic settlement*
13 *of the City of Fort Wayne;*

14 *Whereas, The bridge is currently known as the Governor*
15 *Samuel Bigger Memorial Bridge, recognizing Indiana's*
16 *governor who served from December 9, 1840, to December 6,*
17 *1843, and who is buried in Fort Wayne;*

18 *Whereas, The City of Fort Wayne plans to rename a section*
19 *in McCulloch Park, where Governor Bigger is buried, to honor*
20 *him and increase awareness of his contributions to the state of*
21 *Indiana;*

22 *Whereas, The bridge would become known as the Fort Wayne*
23 *Veterans Memorial Bridge, honoring and recognizing those*
24 *who have served in any branch of the military; and*



1 *Whereas, Plans to upgrade the bridge include focal points*
2 *that will recognize all branches of the military: Therefore,*

3 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
4 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
5 *the Senate concurring:*

6 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes
7 the many contributions of Indiana veterans, including those who
8 made the ultimate sacrifice to ensure the freedoms held by
9 citizens.

10 SECTION 2. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the
11 Department of Transportation to rename the state highway
12 bridge over the St. Marys River that is located on U.S. Route 27
13 near the Old Fort as the Fort Wayne Veterans Memorial Bridge.

14 SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
15 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the
16 office of State Representative Phil GiaQuinta and to the
17 commissioner of the Indiana Department of Transportation.

