

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the Fort Campbell 101st Airborne Division
2 Memorial Highway in Trigg County.

3 WHEREAS, on March 30, 2023, two Army Black Hawk helicopters from Fort
4 Campbell crashed in Trigg County during a training exercise; and

5 WHEREAS, nine members of the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell
6 perished in the crash; and

7 WHEREAS, the soldiers killed during the accident were Warrant Officer 1 Jeffrey
8 Barnes, Corporal Emilie Marie Eve Bolanos, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Zachary Esparza,
9 Sargent Isaacjohn Gayo, Staff Sargent Joshua Gore, Warrant Officer 1 Aaron Healy,
10 Staff Sargent Taylor Mitchell, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Rusten Smith, and Sargent David
11 Solinas Jr.; and

12 WHEREAS, after the tragic accident, Major General Joseph McGee, Commanding
13 General of the 101st Airborne Division, stated that "this is a time of great sadness for the
14 101st Airborne Division. The loss of these soldiers will reverberate through our
15 formations for years to come;" and

16 WHEREAS, the nine young soldiers killed in the accident all came from different
17 backgrounds, but were united in a love of their country and a dedication to serving the
18 people of the United States; and

19 WHEREAS, these nine soldiers' lives were tragically cut short in service to the
20 United States and its people, and it is fitting that their loss be honored in some tangible
21 way;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

24 ➔Section 1. The Transportation Cabinet shall designate Kentucky Route 1062 in
25 Trigg County, from the intersection with Donaldson Creek Road to the intersection with
26 Old Canton Pike, as the "Fort Campbell 101st Airborne Division Memorial Highway"
27 and shall, within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution, erect appropriate signs

1 denoting this designation.