

HOUSE RESOLUTION 19  
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A RESOLUTION to designate a certain bridge spanning the  
Caney Fork River as the "Sam Grissom  
Memorial Bridge."

WHEREAS, on occasion, the members of this General Assembly have deemed it appropriate to name certain highways and bridges to honor those noteworthy citizens who during their lifetimes contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sam Grissom of Rock Island was one such outstanding public servant deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Grissom opened a General Store at Rock Island in 1924 and served the needs of the people there with diligence until his death in 1970; and

WHEREAS, for 75 years the name Grissom has been synonymous with Rock Island; and

WHEREAS, from 1941-60 the Rock Island boat dock and cabin rentals were operated by the Grissom family, during a period when many prominent Nashvillians discovered this weekend getaway; it is a tradition that is continued by second and third generations, all of whom know and respect the Grissom family and their contributions to the peaceful serenity of Rock Island; and

WHEREAS, a new bridge is currently under construction on State Route 136 spanning the Caney Fork River between Warren and White Counties; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the good people of Warren County to establish a lasting tribute to this august gentleman for his outstanding service to Rock Island and Warren County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the bridge spanning the Caney Fork River on State Route 136, between Warren and White Counties is each hereby designated as the "Sam Grissom Memorial Bridge" in honor of this gentleman who served his community with great distinction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable markers or to affix suitable signs, in both directions, designating the bridge as the "Sam Grissom Memorial Bridge".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.