




**Capt. Emerson J. Lonas
American Legion Post 13
224 Waters Road
Maryville, Tn. 37803**

Subject: Request to name Highway 321 / Lamar Alexander Parkway

To: Blount County United Veterans

It has been brought before the American Legion Post 13 Executive Board and Post 13 Body and the Sam Houston Chapter #1814 Military Order Purple Heart (MOPH) to get Highway 321 / Lamar Alexander Parkway North from Loudoun County / Blount County Line North to Blount County / Sevier County Line the Military Order Purple Heart Highway. There are over 11,000 Military Veterans living in Blount County and a great number of them have been awarded the Purple Heart Medal in the past war`s and several have more than one Purple Heart. We signed a blank check when we joined the Military and go off to defend America for our loved one`s and family not knowing if we will return home safe. Naming this stretch of highway would be a great honor and recongition for all Veterans not only in Blount County but those that travel this highway from other locations.

As the Commander of The America Legion Post 13 in Maryville, Tn. I ask that this be considered and approved.


**Commander Samuel N. Russell
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