## **RESOLUTION NO. <u>17-11-016</u>**

## SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONERS GRADY CASKEY, BRAD BOWERS, AND JEROME MOON

## RESOLUTION NAMING THE BRIDGE ON US-321 WEST OVER CROOKED CREEK, MARYVILLE, TENNESSEE, THE SERGEANT DAN GUINN FEEZELL MEMORIAL BRIDGE

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Blount County Board of Commissioners wish to honor the memory of Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell; and

**WHEREAS**, Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell was born on March, 1948, in Blount County, Tennessee, and later moved to Chicago, Illinois, where he graduated High School in 1966; and

*WHEREAS*, Sergeant Feezell was in the U.S. Army 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, and was a member of the 11<sup>th</sup> Light Infantry Brigade; and

**WHEREAS**, Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell's tour in Vietnam began on May 3, 1969, and on August 12, 1970, Sergeant Feezell was killed in South Vietnam in a helicopter – crew air loss, crash on land; and

**WHEREAS,** Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell is memorialized on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. on Panel 08W, Line 104, and is buried at Hillcrest Cemetery in Maryville, Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS**, it would be appropriate to request from the State of Tennessee to name the bridge on US-321 West over Crooked Creek in Maryville, Tennessee, the Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell Memorial Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Blount County Veterans Affairs Committee with representatives of: American Legion Post 13, DAV Chapter 76, Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts 10855 and 5154, Gold Star Mother, Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 1814, AMVET Post 22, and the Blount County Board of Commissioners, Mayor Ed Mitchell, Sheriff James L. Berrong and Highway Superintendent Jeff Headrick recommend this bridge be named in honor of Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell to commemorate his life and sacrifice.

**NOW THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Blount County Legislative Body in session assembled on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017, as follows:

- 1. That the aforementioned bridge on US-321 West over Crooked Creek in Maryville, Tennessee, be recommended to be renamed the Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell Memorial Bridge.
- 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Blount County Legislative Delegation to the Tennessee General Assembly in Nashville, Tennessee, to show support for this request (Exhibits attached hereto include map location of bridge and picture of Sergeant Dan Guinn Feezell).

Duly authorized and approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

CERTIFICATION OF A	CTION	ATTEST	
Commission Chairman		County Clerk	
Approved: Vetoed:	County Mayor		 Date