RESOLUTION <u>19-09-012</u>

Sponsored by Commissioners: Brad Bowers, Jeff Jopling, Ron French, Mike Akard, Jared Anderson, Robbie Bennett, Nick Bright, Rick Carver, Mike Caylor, Dodd Crowe, Jim Hammontree, Jackie Hill, Tom Hood, Scott King, Staci Lawhorn, Joe McCulley, Steve Mikels, Dawn Reagan, Brian Robbins, Tom Stinnett, and Linda Webb

A RESOLUTION NAMING THE BRIDGE ON RIVER ROAD OVER ELLEJOY CREEK IN BLOUNT COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE POLICE OFFICER KENNY MOATS MEMORIAL BRIDGE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, in general session assembled this 19th day of September, 2019:

WHEREAS, Officer Kenneth Ray "Kenny" Moats was born on July 9, 1984, in Maryville, Tennessee to Kenneth Moats and Lisa R. Burns; and

WHEREAS, Officer Kenny Moats, graduate of Heritage High School Class of 2002, and of Walters State Police Academy in December 2005; and

WHEREAS, Officer Kenny Moats being a devoted husband to Britteni and father of Kamron, Tyson and Mackenzie was also a dedicated Maryville Police Officer for nine years; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 Officer Kenny Moats was recognized as a Readers' Choice Police Officer by the readers of The Daily Times; and

WHEREAS, since January 2016 Officer Kenny Moats served as President of the Fraternal Order of Police Bud Allison Memorial Lodge No. 9; and

WHEREAS, in May 2016 Officer Kenny Moats was assigned to the Fifth Judicial Task Force as a drug enforcement agent; and

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2016, Officer Kenny Moats was shot and killed in the line of duty responding to a domestic violence call at a home near the intersection of Kerrway Lane and Alcoa Trail; and

WHEREAS, this ultimate sacrifice for the citizens of Blount County, Tennessee, should be memorialized; and

WHEREAS, a memorial bridge would serve to honor the memory of Officer Kenny Moats; and

WHEREAS, it would be appropriate to name the bridge on River Road over Ellejoy Creek in Blount County, Tennessee, the *Police Officer Kenny Moats Memorial Bridge*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, that:

- 1. Henceforth the aforementioned bridge on River Road over Ellejoy Creek in Blount County, Tennessee, shall be named the *Police Officer Kenny Moats Memorial Bridge*; and
- 2. A plaque so stating shall be attached to the bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution take effect from and after passage, the Public Welfare requiring it.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be made a part of the official records of the Board of County Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee.

Duly authorized and approved the 19th day of September, 2019.

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION:

ATTEST:

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

Approved: _____ Vetoed: _____

County Mayor

Date