

## REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

**MR. SPEAKER AND MR. PRESIDENT:**

We, the undersigned conferees, have had under consideration the amendments to the following entitled BILL:

H. B. No. 1245: Memorial highways; designate various segments of public roadway as upon certain conditions.

We, therefore, respectfully submit the following report and recommendation:

1. That the Senate recede from its Amendment No. 1.
2. That the House and Senate adopt the following amendment:

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

40           **SECTION 1.** (1) The entire segment of Interstate 22  
41 traversing through DeSoto, Marshall, Benton, Union, Pontotoc, Lee  
42 and Itawamba Counties, Mississippi, beginning at the convergence  
43 of Interstate 269 with U.S. Highway 78 in Byhalia, Mississippi,  
44 and extending southeasterly to its ending at the  
45 Mississippi-Alabama state line, in conjunction with that portion  
46 of U.S. Highway 78, which converges with Interstate 269 in  
47 Byhalia, Mississippi, and extending northwesterly to its ending at  
48 the Mississippi-Tennessee state line, is designated and shall be  
49 known as the "Medal of Honor Trail."

50           (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
51 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
52 of highway described in subsection (1) of this section.



53           **SECTION 2.** (1) The segment of Mississippi Highway 19 South  
54 located in Neshoba County, Mississippi, north of the Neshoba  
55 County-Newton County line, extending for a distance of  
56 approximately one (1) mile in the northerly direction to the  
57 southbound lane of its intersection with County Road 709, is  
58 designated and shall be known as the "MSgt. Bridgette R. Horn  
59 Memorial Highway."

60           (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
61 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
62 of highway described in subsection (1) of this section. The  
63 signage assembly to be erected along and approaching the segment  
64 of highway described in subsection (1) shall include the "End of  
65 Watch" date for MSgt. Bridgette R. Horn as November 19, 2020.

66           **SECTION 3.** (1) The segment of Mississippi Highway 9 South  
67 located in Pontotoc County, Mississippi, commencing at a point  
68 approximately two hundred (200) feet north of Gilmer Road, and  
69 extending for a distance of approximately one (1) mile in the  
70 southerly direction to a point of its intersection near Ward  
71 Drive, is designated and shall be known as the "Meaghan Bedford  
72 Reed Memorial Highway."

73           (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
74 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
75 of highway described in subsection (1) of this section.

76           **SECTION 4.** (1) The Strong River Bridge, which is a segment  
77 of Mississippi Highway 149, located in Simpson County,



78 Mississippi, is designated and shall be known as the  
79 "Badger-Malone-Igleharte Memorial Bridge," in honor of Mr. Charles  
80 Badger, Mr. Kevin Malone and Mr. Charles Igleharte, who were  
81 victims of the bridge collapse over the Strong River on October  
82 16, 2024.

83 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
84 and maintain an appropriate plaque at each end of the bridge and  
85 suitable markers along and approaching the bridge, described in  
86 subsection (1) of this section.

87 **SECTION 5.** (1) The segment of Mississippi Highway 366  
88 located in Prentiss County, Mississippi, commencing at its  
89 intersection with Highway 371 and extending in the westerly  
90 direction for a distance of one-half (1/2) mile, shall be known as  
91 the "Houston 'Dale' Kennedy Memorial Highway."

92 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
93 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
94 of highway described in subsection (1) of this section.

95 **SECTION 6.** (1) The bridge on Regional Center Drive in  
96 Oxford, Lafayette County, Mississippi, is designated and shall be  
97 known as the "Jerry Wilburn Memorial Bridge."

98 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
99 and maintain an appropriate plaque at each end of the bridge, and  
100 suitable markers along and approaching the bridge, described in  
101 subsection (1) of this section.



102           **SECTION 7.** (1) The bridge on U.S. Route 72 that spans  
103 Turner Creek in Corinth, Alcorn County, Mississippi, is designated  
104 and shall be known as the "Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge."

105           (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
106 and maintain an appropriate plaque at each end of the bridge, and  
107 suitable markers along and approaching the bridge, described in  
108 subsection (1) of this section.

109           **SECTION 8.** (1) The segment of County Road 14 located in  
110 Jasper County, Mississippi, from its intersection with Mississippi  
111 Highway 528 and extending north to its intersection with County  
112 Road 31, shall be known as the "Timothy Jones-Willie R.  
113 Jones-George Hilton Stephenson-Adam J. Sims-Johnny Lee Jones  
114 Memorial Road."

115           (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
116 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
117 of road described in subsection (1) of this section.

118           **SECTION 9.** The Mississippi Department of Transportation  
119 shall erect and maintain appropriate signs at the eastbound and  
120 westbound lanes of U.S. Route 84 in Lincoln County, Mississippi,  
121 approaching the intersection with Mississippi Highway 583, to  
122 indicate the location of the Berean Children's Home.

123           **SECTION 10.** (1) A segment of Mississippi Highway 82 East  
124 located in Oktibbeha County, Mississippi, the specification of its  
125 points of commencement and terminus to be determined by the  
126 Oktibbeha County Board of Supervisors and thereafter communicated



127 to the Mississippi Department of Transportation, such segment  
128 extending a distance of one (1) mile, shall be known as the  
129 "Elizabeth 'Lake' Little Memorial Highway."

130 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
131 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
132 of highway described in subsection (1) of this section.

133 **SECTION 11.** (1) A segment of Blackjack Road located in  
134 Oktibbeha County, Mississippi, the specification of its points of  
135 commencement and terminus to be determined by the Oktibbeha County  
136 Board of Supervisors and thereafter communicated to the  
137 Mississippi Department of Transportation, such segment extending a  
138 distance of one (1) mile, shall be known as the "Officer Liquori  
139 T. Tate Memorial Road."

140 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
141 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
142 of road described in subsection (1) of this section. The signage  
143 assembly to be erected along and approaching the segment of road  
144 described in subsection (1) of this section shall include the "End  
145 of Watch" date for Officer Liquori T. Tate as May 9, 2015.

146 **SECTION 12.** (1) The segment of Mississippi Highway 4 East  
147 located in Tate County, Mississippi, commencing three-tenths  
148 (3/10) of a mile east of its intersection with Looxahoma Circle  
149 and Lyles Road, and continuing to a point one-eighth (1/8) of a  
150 mile west of its intersection with Mississippi Highway 305, shall  
151 be known as the "Winfred T. Aiken Memorial Highway."



152 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
153 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
154 of road described in subsection (1) of this section.

155 **SECTION 13.** (1) The segment of Mississippi Highway 63 North  
156 located east of the incorporated area of Leakesville, Greene  
157 County, Mississippi, commencing at the eastern overpass  
158 interchange of Mississippi Highway 63 and Mississippi Highway 57,  
159 and extending a distance of one (1) mile in the easterly direction  
160 toward Mississippi Highway 594, shall be known as the "Mary Kalene  
161 'Katie' Pipkins Memorial Highway."

162 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect  
163 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment  
164 of road described in subsection (1) of this section.

165 **SECTION 14.** (1) The State Highway Commission, acting on its  
166 own behalf, or on behalf of the Mississippi Department of  
167 Transportation, as the case may be, is authorized to donate to the  
168 City of Marks, Mississippi, certain real property and any  
169 improvements thereon located in Marks, Mississippi, known as the  
170 "Marks Community Park," and being more particularly described as  
171 follows: the Southwest Quadrant of the intersection of State  
172 Highways Numbers 3 and 6, in the City of Marks, Quitman County,  
173 Mississippi.

174 (2) (a) Of the property described in subsection (1) of this  
175 section, it is hereby understood and agreed by the City of Marks,  
176 Mississippi, as the grantee herein named, that all existing



177 utilities located on, under or above the property herein  
178 described, shall remain at the discretion of the utility owners,  
179 and that the grantee, its assigns or successors in the title will  
180 not require the relocation of these utilities except by agreement  
181 with the utility owner.

182 (b) This conveyance is subject to the provisions that  
183 no junkyards, as defined in 23 USC § 136, shall be hereafter  
184 established or maintained on or above the described lands, and no  
185 signs, billboards, outdoor advertising structures or advertisement  
186 of any kind, as provided for in 23 USC § 131, shall be hereafter  
187 erected, displayed, placed or maintained upon or within the  
188 above-described land, except that signs may be erected and  
189 maintained to advertise the sale, hire or lease of the property,  
190 or principal activities conducted on the land upon which the signs  
191 are located.

192 (3) The State of Mississippi shall retain all mineral rights  
193 to the real property transferred under this section.

194 (4) The Mississippi Department of Transportation is  
195 authorized to correct any discrepancies in the legal description  
196 of the property provided in this section.

197 (5) Any expenses incurred in conducting a survey of the  
198 property shall be paid for by the City of Marks, Mississippi.

199 **SECTION 15.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
200 and after July 1, 2025.



**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE ENTIRE SEGMENT OF INTERSTATE 22 THAT  
2 LIES WITHIN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, ALONG WITH A PORTION OF U.S.  
3 HIGHWAY 78 LOCATED IN BYHALIA, DESOTO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THAT  
4 EXTENDS NORTHWESTERLY TO ITS POINT OF BEGINNING AT THE  
5 MISSISSIPPI-TENNESSEE STATE LINE, AS THE "MEDAL OF HONOR TRAIL";  
6 TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 19 SOUTH LOCATED IN  
7 NESHOPA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS THE "MSGT. BRIDGETTE R. HORN  
8 MEMORIAL HIGHWAY"; TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 9  
9 SOUTH LOCATED IN PONTOTOC COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS THE "MEAGHAN  
10 BEDFORD REED MEMORIAL HIGHWAY"; TO DESIGNATE THE STRONG RIVER  
11 BRIDGE, WHICH IS A SEGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 149, LOCATED IN  
12 SIMPSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS THE "BADGER-MALONE-IGLEHARTE  
13 MEMORIAL BRIDGE"; TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY  
14 366 LOCATED IN PRENTISS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS THE "HOUSTON  
15 'DALE' KENNEDY MEMORIAL HIGHWAY"; TO DESIGNATE THE BRIDGE ON  
16 REGIONAL CENTER DRIVE IN OXFORD, LAFAYETTE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS  
17 THE "JERRY WILBURN MEMORIAL BRIDGE"; TO DESIGNATE THE BRIDGE ON  
18 U.S. ROUTE 72 THAT SPANS TURNER CREEK IN CORINTH, ALCORN COUNTY,  
19 MISSISSIPPI, AS THE "VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE"; TO  
20 DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF COUNTY ROAD 14 LOCATED IN JASPER COUNTY,  
21 MISSISSIPPI, AS THE "TIMOTHY JONES-WILLIE JONES-GEORGE HILTON  
22 STEPHENSON-ADAM J. SIMS-JOHNNY LEE JONES MEMORIAL ROAD"; TO  
23 REQUIRE SIGNAGE FOR THE BEREAN CHILDREN'S HOME ON U.S. ROUTE 84 IN  
24 LINCOLN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, APPROACHING THE INTERSECTION WITH  
25 MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 583; TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI  
26 HIGHWAY 82 EAST IN OKTIBBEHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS THE  
27 "ELIZABETH 'LAKE' LITTLE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY"; TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT  
28 OF BLACKJACK ROAD IN OKTIBBEHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS THE  
29 "OFFICER LIQUORI T. TATE MEMORIAL ROAD"; TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF  
30 MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 4 EAST IN TATE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS THE  
31 "WINFRED T. AIKEN MEMORIAL HIGHWAY"; TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF  
32 MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 63 NORTH IN LEAKESVILLE, GREENE COUNTY,  
33 MISSISSIPPI, AS THE "MARY KALENE 'KATIE' PIPKINS MEMORIAL  
34 HIGHWAY"; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION, ACTING ITS  
35 OWN BEHALF OR ON BEHALF OF THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF  
36 TRANSPORTATION, TO DONATE TO THE CITY OF MARKS, MISSISSIPPI, A  
37 CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN MARKS, MISSISSIPPI, AT THE  
38 INTERSECTION OF STATE HIGHWAYS 3 AND 6; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.





CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

X (SIGNED)  
Massengill

X (SIGNED)  
Arnold

X (SIGNED)  
McMillan

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

X (SIGNED)  
Younger

X (SIGNED)  
Parks

X (SIGNED)  
Brumfield

