

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF NEW KENT
VIRGINIA**

R-08-18

At the regular work session of the Board of Supervisors of the County of New Kent, in the Boardroom of the Administration Building in New Kent, Virginia, on the 23rd day of January, 2018:

| Present: | Vote: |
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| Patricia A. Paige | Aye |
| Ronald P. Stiers | Aye |
| W.R. Davis, Jr. | Aye |
| C. Thomas Tiller, Jr. | Aye |
| Thomas W. Evelyn | Aye |

Motion was made by Mr. Tiller, which carried 5:0, to adopt the following resolution:

**BRIDGE NAMING ON ROUTE 612, AIRPORT ROAD,
OVER INTERSTATE 64, IN NEW KENT COUNTY AS THE
“TROOPER PILOT BERKE M. M. BATES MEMORIAL BRIDGE”.**

WHEREAS, Trooper Pilot Berke M. M. Bates (“Trooper Bates”) passed away on Saturday, August 12, 2017 in a helicopter accident while responding to civil unrest in Charlottesville, Virginia during a large protest; and

WHEREAS, the helicopter had just taken off to monitor the Virginia governor’s motorcade after he arrived in the area to assess the situation; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Bates has served with the Virginia State Police for 13 years and was assigned to the Aviation Unit. He had previously served with the Florida Highway Patrol for six years, and was a resident of New Kent County, where he is survived by his wife and his twin son and daughter; and


WHEREAS, section 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia* authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to give suitable names to state highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities and change the names of any highways, bridges, interchanges, or other transportation facilities forming a part of the systems of state highways; and

WHEREAS, section 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located.

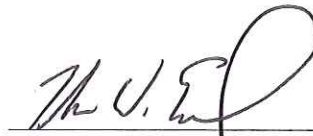
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that New Kent County, in accordance with the requirements of Section 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, does hereby request that the Commonwealth Transportation Board name the bridge on Route 612, Airport Road, over Interstate 64, in New Kent County as the Trooper Pilot Berke M. M. Bates Memorial Bridge;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that New Kent County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Adopted this 23rd day of January, 2018.



Rodney A. Hathaway
County Administrator



Thomas W. Evelyn
Board Chairman