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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 166

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARROW

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to erect signage on the new Mississippi River bridge with its official name, the "Horace Wilkinson Bridge".

WHEREAS, Act No.206 of the 1968 Regular Session of the Legislature named the new bridge over the Mississippi River at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the Horace Wilkinson Bridge; and

WHEREAS, three generations of the Horace Wilkinson family have served in the Legislature of Louisiana including Horace Wilkinson, Sr., who was a member for twenty-six years; Horace Wilkinson, Jr., who was a member for sixteen years; and Horace Wilkinson III, who was a member for ten years; and

WHEREAS, these gentlemen served diligently, contributing greatly to the betterment of the state generally and to the welfare of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the new bridge over the Mississippi River at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the Horace Wilkinson Bridge, provides a vital link between the state capitol and connects to the Florida Parishes and to Cajun Country via Interstate I-10; and

WHEREAS, thousands of motorists cross the bridge structure every day going to and from work; and

WHEREAS, this high-level steel-truss bridge affords a poignant view of the city for travelers who travel in the eastbound lanes of this bridge; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 206 of the 1968 Regular Session of the Legislature was passed forty-one years ago, and the official name of the bridge has yet to be erected on the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Development should provide a sign on the bridge with the official name of the bridge at its earliest opportunity.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to erect signage on the new bridge with its official name, the "Horace Wilkinson Bridge".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE