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SJR\_\_\_ DESIGNATING THE BRIDGE ON MCFARLAND BOULEVARD THAT SPANS INTERSTATE 20 AND INTERSTATE 59 AS THE LUTHER STANCEL PATE III MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

WHEREAS, it is with highest accolade that this body designates the bridge on McFarland Boulevard that spans Interstate 20 and Interstate 59 as the Luther Stancel Pate III Memorial Bridge; and

WHEREAS, Luther Stancel Pate III was born on October 30, 1936, in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and lived his entire life in Buhl, Alabama, a small community about 15 miles west of Tuscaloosa; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pate was a member of Cornelius Chapel Baptist Church in Buhl; he believed in the qualities of good character and integrity and his word and handshake were as good as gold; he had a passion for farming and believed that anything worth doing was worth doing right to the best of your ability; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pate lived by example and worked hard to provide a good life for his four children; his life was cut short at the age of 31 as a result of a tragic accident at Rice Mine Road and McFarland Boulevard on June 14, 1968; his



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26 memory will not be forgotten; now therefore,

27 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
28 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the bridge on McFarland  
29 Boulevard that spans Interstate 20 and Interstate 59 is  
30 designated as the Luther Stancel Pate III Memorial Bridge.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of  
32 Transportation is requested to coordinate with governing  
33 officials on fabricating and erecting appropriate signs or  
34 markers, consistent with applicable requirements and laws,  
35 in recognition of this designation.