COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 5

RESOLUTION
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

September 16, 2026

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Good, Seconded By: Ms. Dunlop
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Bridge Naming: "Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Memorial Bridge"

WHEREAS, in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Warren County Board of Supervisors has requested, by resolution dated June 6, 2023, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), to honor and memorialize the life, service and ultimate sacrifice to his community of Virginia State Police Trooper Daniel Lee Williams, name the eastbound and westbound bridges on Interstate 66, over the Shenandoah River in Warren County, as the "Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Memorial Bridge"; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that any naming for a state official killed during the performance of his official duties, which includes a law enforcement officer employed by the Department of State Police or a state highway transportation worker, shall require a letter or resolution from the head of the state agency by which the state official was employed requesting such naming; and

WHEREAS, in accord with § 33.2-213, Colonel Jeffrey S. Katz, Superintendent of the Department of State Police, on July 2, 2026, submitted a letter in support of Warren County's request for the commemorative naming for Trooper Williams and submitted an email on July 8, 2026, requesting this naming to commemorate the life of Virginia State Police Trooper Daniel Lee Williams; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that VDOT shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that for any state highway, bridge, interchange or other transportation facility named after a state official killed during the performance of his official duties, the costs of producing, placing and maintaining those signs shall be paid from Commonwealth Transportation Funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the CTB hereby names the eastbound and westbound bridges on Interstate 66, over the Shenandoah River in Warren County, as the “Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Memorial Bridge”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that VDOT is directed to produce, place, and maintain the signs calling attention to this naming using Commonwealth Transportation Funds to cover the costs thereof as required by law.

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CTB Decision Brief

Bridge Naming: "Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Memorial Bridge"

Issue: Commemorative naming of the eastbound and westbound bridges on Interstate 66, over the Shenandoah River in Warren County as the "Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Memorial Bridge".

Facts: The Warren County Board of Supervisors enacted a resolution on June 6, 2023, to honor the life, contributions to his community and ultimate sacrifice of Virginia State Police Trooper Daniel Lee Williams, born and raised in Warren County, who was killed in the line of duty while honorably fulfilling his duties. He was critically injured in a car crash on December 10, 1999, while working at a sobriety checkpoint on River Road, near the intersection of High Hill Road and Cooks Road in Cumberland County. He was assisting deputies when they noticed a vehicle turn off its lights and make a U-turn to avoid the checkpoint. Trooper Williams was attempting to stop the vehicle when his patrol car struck a tree and became engulfed in flames. He was taken to a local hospital before being flown to a trauma center with third-degree burns over most of his body. He died two days later on December 12, 1999.

Trooper Williams, Badge 1555, age 38 and a former Marine, had served with the Virginia State Police for one year.

Pursuant to §33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia, no name shall be given to any state highway, bridge, interchange, or other transportation facility by the Board unless and until the Board receives (i) for a naming after a state official, a letter or resolution from the head of the state agency by which the state official was employed requesting such naming or (ii) for a naming other than after a state official, a resolution from the governing body of the locality within which a portion of the facility to be named is located requesting such naming. Further, pursuant to this section, for a highway, bridge, interchange, or other transportation facility named after a state official killed during the performance of his official duties, the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining these signs shall be paid from Commonwealth Transportation Funds. For purposes of this section, "state official" includes law-enforcement officers employed by the Department of State Police and state highway transportation workers.

In accord with §33.2-213, Colonel Jeffrey S. Katz, Superintendent of the Department of State Police, on July 2, 2026, submitted a letter in support of Warren County's request for the commemorative naming for Trooper Williams and submitted an email on July 8, 2026, requesting this commemorative naming.

Recommendations: The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recommends this request be approved.

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia* requires a majority of the CTB members to approve a resolution naming a highway or bridge, as appropriate. A resolution will be provided for the Board's consideration.

Result if Approved: The eastbound and westbound bridges on Interstate 66, over the Shenandoah River in Warren County, will be known as the "Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Memorial Bridge".

By resolution, Warren County agreed to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming. However, in accordance with §33.2-213, for any state highway, bridge, interchange or other transportation facility named after a state official killed during the performance of his official duties, the costs of producing, placing and maintaining those signs shall be paid from Commonwealth Transportation Funds. Therefore, notwithstanding Warren County's resolution, VDOT will utilize Commonwealth Transportation Funds to pay for the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Options: Approve**,** Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: VDOT has not received any public comments on this proposal.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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Lt. Colonel Keenon C. Hook
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July 2, 2026

The Honorable Nick M. Donohue
Secretary of Transportation
Commonwealth Transportation Board Chairman
Virginia Department of Transportation
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Dear Chairman Donohue,

1n accordance with §33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia, I write to the Commonwealth Transportation Board in support of the Warren County Board of Supervisors' request that the Interstate 66 westbound bridge over the Shenandoah River be named in honor of Virginia State Police Trooper Daniel Lee Williams.

Trooper Williams, 38, died December 12, 1999, two days after being critically injured in a car crash while working at a sobriety checkpoint on River Road, near the intersection of High Hill Road and Cooks Road, in Cumberland County. He was assisting deputies when they noticed a vehicle turn off its lights and make a U-tum to avoid the checkpoint. Trooper Williams was attempting to stop the vehicle when his patrol car struck a tree and became engulfed in flames. He was taken to a local hospital before being flown to a trauma center with third-degree burns over most of his body.

Trooper Williams, a former Marine, had served with the Virginia State Police for one year.

I appreciate the Warren County Board of Supervisors seeking to recognize Trooper Williams's dedicated service to the citizens of Virginia in such a memorable manner, and I appreciate the CTB's consideration of this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Superintendent

JSK/RDL/lmd

RESOLUTION

of the Board of Supervisors of Warren County Naming the Interstate 66 Bridge West Bound Bridge over the Shenandoah River in Warren County Virginia in Memorial of Virginia State Trooper Daniel Lee Williams

WHEREAS, Virginia State Trooper Daniel Lee Williams was Born and raised in Warren County Virginia, to parents Richard and Shirley Williams of Warren County Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Virginia State Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Badge 1555 age 38 died on December 12,1999, after being involved in an automobile accident while assisting local Deputies at a sobriety checkpoint in Cumberland County Virginia; and

WHEREAS; Virginia State Trooper Daniel Lee. Williams a former Marine was dedicated to serve and protect the community of Cumberland County Virginia with Honor and Dignity; and

WHEREAS,; Warren County strongly supports the efforts and sacrifices made by all men and women who have served , and the Virginia Department of Transportation in naming Bridges and Roads in honor those fallen officers who have died in the line of duty; 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 the Board of Supervisors of Warren County, Virginia, in accordance with Section 33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia requests the Virginia Department of Transportation to name the Interstate 66 West Bound bridge over the Shenandoah River in Warren County Virginia in Memorial to Virginia State Trooper Daniel Lee Williams Badge 1555 ; and

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

Adopted: June 6, 2023

Vicky L. Cook Chair
Warren County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Ed Daley

From: Dunn, Brack (VDOT)
To: Jordan, Elliott (VDOT)
Subject: FW: VSP Bridge Dedications
Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2026 2:08:00 PM
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Subject: VSP Bridge Dedications

Secretary Donohue and Board Members,

Our agency is respectfully requesting consideration of bridge dedications for Kevin Carder Manion and Daniel Lee Williams. Information for each is attached, with the Resolutions from the Warren County Board of Supervisors following each letter.

We will be honored if you will consider adding this to your agenda for your next board meeting.

Respectfully,

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Warren County

Proposed Bridge Naming:

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