## House Transportation Committee 69<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session Representative Ruby-Chair

Chairman Ruby and House Transportation Committee,

Please accept this testimony in support of HB 1140.

## Intent of this bill...

- Provide lasting recognition and appreciation to the North Dakota Service Men and Women who have died for our Country in time of war.
- July 22, 2003 US Army Staff Jon P. Fettig was killed in action outside Ar Ramadi, Iraq while serving with North Dakota's 957 multi-role bridge company (V Corps).
  He was the first ND Army National Guard Soldier killed in battle since the Korean War.
  - Name included on the Global war on terrorism memorial outside Fraine Barracks.



## Need for bill...

- Keep their memory alive.
- Recognition to the family and friends they left behind.
- Community involvement in the process.

I support this bill and encourage the ND 69<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly to allow all bridges in ND be named after a Fallen ND Service Man or Woman.

Thank you for your consideration.

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