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Senator, District 18

THE MAINE SENATE
132nd Legislature

3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

**Joint Standing Committee on Transportation on
LD 463, Resolve, to Rename the New Ten Mile River Bridge on Pequawket
Trail in Brownfield the Brownfield Veterans Memorial Bridge**

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**LD 464, Resolve, to Rename the Brackett Mill Bridge in Denmark the
Brackett Mill Veterans Memorial Bridge**

March 4, 2025

Senator Nangle, Representative Crafts, and esteemed members of the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation: I am Senator Rick Bennett of Oxford, and I have the honor of serving 14 communities in Western Maine in the State Senate. I am pleased to sponsor LD 463, “Resolve, to Rename the New Ten Mile River Bridge on Pequawket Trail in Brownfield the Brownfield Veterans Memorial Bridge” and LD 464, “Resolve, to Rename the Brackett Mill Bridge in Denmark the Brackett Mill Veterans Memorial Bridge.”

These bills are part of an effort to rename several bridges across the state to honor our veterans. Bridges literally connect communities. For those who cross over them, the new names for these bridges will serve as a daily reminder of the incredible sacrifice made by those who have served our country.

I have attached letters from both Brownfield and Denmark supporting these changes. I fully back the effort to rename these bridges and recognize the great debt we all owe those who fought to defend our country.

Thank you for your consideration. I urge you to vote “ought to pass” on LD 463 and LD 464.

TOWN OF BROWNFIELD



March 20, 2024

Senator Ben Chipman, Chair
Transportation Committee
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

Chipman@legislature.maine.gov

Dear Senator Chipman:

On March 19, 2024 during our regular Board of Selectmen meeting, Calista Cross provided information that the Board should consider naming a bridge in Brownfield as a Veteran's Bridge. She suggested bridge number 5860 known by the State as the New Fair Mile River Bridge on Bequawket Trail. After listening to her suggestion, it was decided that it was a good idea and the Board voted unanimously to name the bridge:

"Brownfield Veteran's Memorial Bridge"

We now ask the State to take whatever action necessary to complete this action. If you have any questions please contact our Administrative Assistant, Alvina Day at townadmin@fairpoint.net.

Thank you,

Richard Norcross

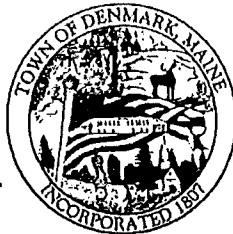
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July 2, 2024

Senator Ben Chipman
Chair Transportation Committee
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Re: Bracket Mill Bridge

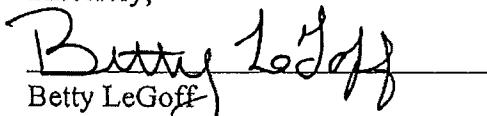
Dear Senator Chipman,

On May 28th, Calista Cross, presented to the Denmark Select Board a proposal to rename the Bracket Mill Bridge in honor of Maine Veterans. She explained this is done by a Resolution being passed through the Senate and House. After hearing what Calista had to say the Select Board supported the renaming of Bracket Mill Bridge.

On May 28, 2024 the Denmark Select Board voted to rename the Bracket Mill Bridge (BR#5410) located on Route 160, in Denmark, to Bracket Mill Veterans Memorial Bridge.

The Select Board thank you in advance for considering the renaming of this bridge.

Sincerely,



Betty LeGoff
Town Manager

s/ Andrew Kruczek
s/ Kirk McDermith
s/ Michael Stacy