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**SUBJECT:**

**Resolution Major General John Cleland Memorial Bridge**

**DEPT/OFFICE:**

District 4

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

It is requested that the Board approve a Resolution naming the soon-to-be-constructed bridge over the FEC railroad on Pineda Causeway the Major General John Cleland Memorial Bridge

**CLERK TO THE BOARD INSTRUCTIONS:**

We would greatly appreciate this being framed.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

- **Resolution Major General John Cleland**

## RESOLUTION

2018 -

**WHEREAS**, Major General John Cleland retired from the United States Army in 1980 after thirty-seven years of active service. He enlisted at age seventeen and after service as an enlisted man, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant of Infantry from the Officer Candidate School; and

**WHEREAS**, he served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam, commanding all levels of Infantry units. Major General Cleland served on the Army General Staff and the Joint Staff during peace and war, and spent thirteen years overseas, six of which were in combat theater; and

**WHEREAS**, his decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal; the Silver Star Medal; the Defense Superior Service Medal; the Legion of Merit, the Purple Heart Medal; and he was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge in all three wars, and is a member of the US Army Infantry Hall of Fame; and

**WHEREAS**, since moving to Florida in 1983, Major General Cleland made tremendous contributions to the local community and to the State of Florida by serving both civic and military organizations; in addition, he found time to participate as a leader in his homeowners association, church, as a speaker at patriotic events and as a strong voice for veterans.

**WHEREAS**, on November 12, 2013, Retired Major General Cleland was inducted into the inaugural class of the Florida Veteran's Hall of Fame, whose focus is on the inductee's post-military contributions to the state through civic, business, public service or other pursuits.

**WHEREAS**, on October 25, 2017, at the age of 92, this true American hero passed away. The Board of County Commissioners and a grateful community would like to honor and recognize him in perpetuity for his lifetime of service to our county and our country.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**, does hereby name the soon-to-be-constructed bridge over the FEC railroad on Pineda Causeway the

### **“Major General John Cleland Memorial Bridge”**

Let this serve as a reminder to all of the life of this great public servant.

**DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED** in regular session, this 22nd day of May, 2018.



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May 23, 2018

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Curt Smith, District 4                      Attn: Molly Tice

RE: Item I.F., Resolution Naming Major General John Cleland Memorial Bridge

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on May 22, 2018, adopted Resolution No. 18-070, naming the soon-to-be constructed bridge over FEC Railroad on Pineda Causeway as Major General John Cleland Memorial Bridge. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

*Tammy Rowe*

Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

*Resolution*

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ATTEST:

*Scott Ellis*

SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

*Rita Pritchett*

RITA PRITCHETT, CHAIR  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

