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Senate Bill 4 (SB 4) Naming the Scott Johnson Memorial Bridge

SB 4 will rename the Tok River bridge to the “Scott Johnson Memorial Bridge”.

The name change honors Sergeant Scott Johnson who was murdered in the line of duty on May 1, 2014, while performing his duties to the State of Alaska as an Alaska State Trooper.

This bill honors the beloved community member by memorializing his name on a bridge overlooking the Tok River, near the community of Tok, where Scott was raised.

SB 4 will rename the Tok River Bridge, located at Milepost 1309 on the Alaska Highway, as an acknowledgement of Johnson’s life, achievements, honorable service, and ultimate sacrifice to the State of Alaska.

Scott Johnson served the State of Alaska for 23 years, accomplishing many endeavors such as a Bachelor of Science in Criminology in 1991, assisting the youth as a coach and mentor, and receiving 43 letters of commendation, with two commendations for honorable professional service.

The Scott Johnson Memorial Bridge will serve as a reminder to all Alaskans about honor, courage, and sacrifice in our great state.

This bill will have Scott Johnson’s name in the Alaskan outdoors, where Johnson enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

Scott Johnson is survived by: his wife of twenty years, Brandy Johnson; daughters, Hayly, Hana, and Halene Johnson; parents, Bud and Pamela Johnson; brothers, Shaun and Brian Johnson.