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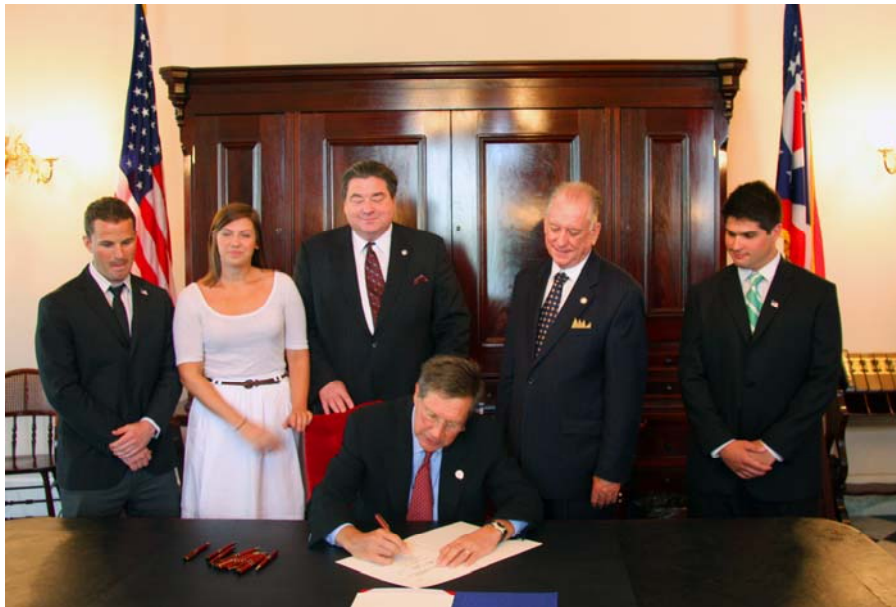
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**GOVERNOR KASICH SIGNS PATTON BILL TO NAME BRIDGE AFTER
FORMER GOVERNOR, U.S. SENATOR GEORGE VOINOVICH**

Senate Bill 132 names new Cuyahoga County bridge after the former politician



COLUMBUS – On Wednesday morning, Governor John Kasich placed his signature on a bill to establish the “George V. Voinovich Bridge” that will span the Cuyahoga River in Cuyahoga County and be included as part of Interstate 90.

The legislative measure was sponsored by State Senator Tom Patton (R – Strongsville) and approved by both legislative chambers before landing on Governor Kasich’s desk.

“George Voinovich’s forty-plus years in public life exemplify the true essence of public service. It is necessary that a career of his caliber is honored in a way such as this,” said Senator Patton.

Completion of the “George V. Voinovich Bridge” is targeted for late 2016 or early 2017.

Voinovich served as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives from 1967-1971, as Cuyahoga County Auditor from 1971-1976, on the Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners from 1977-1978, was elected Lt. Governor under Governor Rhodes in 1978. He also served as mayor of Cleveland from 1979-1989, governor of Ohio from 1991-1998, and as United States Senator from 1999-2011.