

Confederate highway names

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Wed 11/3/2021 12:07 AM
To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force
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As a student of history and as a health care provider, I am aware of the dark stain that has tarnished Virginia, namely, the Confederate defense of slavery, "our way of life," under the guise of "state's rights." Slavery was and is evil and very ugly. It is time, like it was done in South Africa, for Truth and Reconciliation.

A big part of that would be to eliminate Confederate names/monuments. Please name a highway after John L Lewis.

I wish you well in your efforts to acknowledge our ugly past, and to come to terms with it in a spirit of reparations.

Darren Foster, LPN

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Renaming Lee Highway/Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Thank you for giving the public time and opportunity to comment on proposed changes.

Yes, both Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed! These men were traitors to the United States and fought to preserve enslavement of human beings (not "state's rights" as the South claims). They should be studied as part of our history but should not be honored. Yes, some of our country's founders also had slaves, but they did not attempt to destroy the government. Save honors for real heroes.

Barbara Farron
Fairfax, VA

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Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway & Lee Highway

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I strongly support changing the names of these two highways. However, I don't feel strongly about alternative names, as long as the new names don't memorialize the Confederacy. The following are possibilities:

Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway ==> Little River Highway (It's not technically a Turnpike any more, but I guess Turnpike would be okay.)

Lee Highway ==> Fairfax Boulevard, Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax Highway, Arlington Highway

The current names are an embarrassment and need to be changed. Thank you for addressing this matter.

Best wishes,

Glenn Ayres
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Renaming Jim Crow Era Neo-Confederate Highways

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Route 29: LEE HIGHWAY

- Comments?

There are broadly celebrated Virginians and principles that we can all agree are worthy of memorializing. It is ludicrous and divisive to retain and memorialize names from a period when the principle upheld was Jim Crow.

- How would keeping the name affect our community?

The gateway to Fairfax County is memorializing mass treason and justifying contemporary white supremacy over a century after a war that reconciled one nation without slavery.

Fifty years after WWII, it is inconceivable that a road in Germany would be named after Adolf Hitler. Any expressed interest in doing so would be understood by all to be what this is: overtly, provocatively disturbing. As history is written by the victors, we vividly see through Jim Crow apartheid and the bunkered institutional resistance to Civil Rights what was indeed overtly, provocatively disturbing. And now you ask if we should continue to memorialize Confederate names in our public infrastructure as the founders of Jim Crow intended?

- How would changing the name affect our community?

This path name through Fairfax County should unite and uplift us as the Civil War was fought and won to unite and uplift all Americans. Let's not retain a road name that is a historically shameful dead-end.

- Proposed Names:

Arthur Ashe Highway
Ella Fitzgerald Highway
One Nation Highway
Freedom Highway

Route 50: LEE-JACKSON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

- Comments?

Nothing was wrong with the original name of this road before Jim Crow founders institutionalized racism with its renaming to Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Reclaim history a century later by returning the name to Little River Highway.

- How would keeping the name affect our community?

Dismissing concerns and retaining this repugnant memorialization perpetuates misguided pride among our youth and leaves a stain on integrity for our businesses and community.

- How would changing the name affect our community?

Little River Turnpike should have properly become Little River Highway in 1922. A century later, we can get this right and together share civic pride in the evolution of our community.

Renaming Routes 29 and 50

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Please, no, let us cease and desist with this cancel culture. The history exists, and it has way many more facets than just race. If we pretend race is the only aspect of US history that matters, or has any significance or consequence, we would be deluding and cheating ourselves. ENOUGH!

Thank you.

Albert Manfredi

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Renaming Confed Highways

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Please leave the Current names as they are without any changes. Like it or not, it is part of Virginia's history. If you change or remove ALL the names & places, you are revising history. Sometimes history lessons can be painful, but that does not mean that they never happened or existed. It is better to leave them, and learn from them and about them.

These were NOT bad men, infact they did nothing wrong. They fought for their state and what seemed to be the right thing to do at the time. They wound up on the wrong side of history. Neither men owned or condoned slavery. They fought to defend their state & property. They were slave owners through marriage, and had ordered to have their slaves freed soon.

It is a shame to remove all of our historical names and landmarks.

Future generations will be told it never happened.

Sincerely,
Melvin & Bette A Felber

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Do not change the names

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Robert Lee did more to heal the wounds of the war than any other single individual, and is considered by military historians one of the finest strategists of all time, while Thomas Jackson is considered one of the top field commanders. To erase them from history, Soviet-style, would be a great injustice, and a bad lesson to our children.

Tim Meisburger - West Falls Chuch

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Lee Hwy. and Lee-Jackson Highway Name Change

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My name is Wayne Bryant and I have lived in Fairfax County for the past 35 years and this non-sense has got to stop! We cannot erase history by erasing all of the names certain groups are offended by. We have to stop, now! The economic cost to every business and person who carries that address will have to change their address on everything the currently use and the businesses will now have to change their signs and listings. It's an undue hardship not necessary to appease certain liberal groups.

I'm not going to mention the wasted money the county and my already sky high taxes will have to bare. This money for this stupid woke, cancel culture scheme could be used for our parks, shelters and a host of other more worthy causes.

Please stop now, I beg of you.

Wayne Bryant
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Feedback on changing names of streets and highways

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The cost of changing names on signs, letterheads, maps, etc. could be better spent to relieve poverty in Fairfax County. Robert E. Lee was not a bad person. He happened to be born in a time when slavery was an accepted custom and necessary for working large farms and plantations. Many slaves were treated well and loved by their owners. He established a great university. History cannot and should not be altered.

L.K. Bender
Falls Church

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YES - Change the Name of Rt 50

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Task Force,

I received a flyer in the mail asking for my opinion on renaming Lee Jackson Highway.

Yes, you should change the name of Lee Jackson Highway and ALL names with a negative connotation, but especially associated with the Confederacy, those who supported slavery during Civil War... AND those who supported any acts against people of color and women throughout history.

Naming of roads, bridges, and other infrastructure is viewed in America as a way to pay gratitude and appreciation to people who have done great things. It is an honor. It should be reserved for those who actually did/do great things FOR ALL PEOPLE.

We should never forget that dark time in American history. We cannot erase it - but we absolutely can stop putting those people on a pedestal.

Do it without hesitation.

Do not be afraid of the people who still think the way of the Confederates. They are the only minority in Fairfax County.

Do it because in Fairfax County, we VALUE diversity. We want people of all colors and nationalities to not only be welcome here, but to thrive here.

AND don't do it quietly! Take the stand that Fairfax County is a place of progress and respect for those who deserve it in history.

Thank you,

Erin Gibbens

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I do not agree with renaming roads, or trying to rewrite history (even when it's unpleasant).
We should, instead, try to face our history squarely and learn from it.
Renaming schools, roads, public buildings, and taking down historic statuary to me is cowardly.
Will we soon contemplate renaming the Washington Monument and the Jefferson Memorial ?
Big waste of resources!

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Highway name changes

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I vote NO.

It is too expensive and we are trying to change history like the Russian Communists do when they take over a country.

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I am strongly opposed to renaming the highways in Fairfax county.

- 1) I do not believe “good intent” is behind the plan.
- 2) I believe that the GRAND majority of people don’t care and/or are unaware of the name. The minority of people with STRONG desires to not change the name will not be respected.
- 3) The new name will be likely be equally offensive to others. Instead of choosing a name almost everyone will be ok with, like picking an object, you will choose another person. The selection will likely be controversial. The County will do it anyway.

Richard Wood
McLean, VA 22101

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Would like to see a change in names to 9/11 memorial highway and Patriots Highway or Pearl Harbor Highway. Make the name for USA.

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Enough is enough we can’t use today’s political correctness to erase the history of the past. As a Northerner from New Jersey , I have lived in Virginia since July 4, 1976. The names of Southern Generals and politicians are part of the history of Fairfax County and Virginia. Today everyone is so thin skinned; history is history lets us stop this madness of trying to make everybody feel good at tax payers expense. Next they will go after the Washington Monument, the Jefferson Memorial, and erase George Washington, and Thomas Jefferson from Mount Rushmore, when will all this stop?

Manuel Castro
Oakton, VA 22124

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Opposed to changing names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

When we talk about Robert E. Lee, we need to put his life and decision to join the Confederacy into context.

It was a time when states’ rights mattered a great deal more than federal rights.

It was a time when allegiance to one’s home far outweighed allegiance to one’s country.

Despite the advice of his mentor Winfield Scott, Lee chose to support his state – Virginia.

After the war, Lee sought to reconcile – to make amends —to help his country heal.

His opinions and writings on about racial and national healing are some of the best anywhere.

(<https://virginiahistory.org/learn/historical-book/chapter/reconciliation>)

We should be getting those out and reading them today on anything that bears his name or at Arlington House. They should be posted in prominent places for everyone to read.

Instead, we are making a decision to erase the name of a man who stood taller and lived longer than the confederacy. We are doing this with less than half of the information available.

Let’s use his life – all of it —to teach and to heal. Knowing the whole story will help us be better today and tomorrow.

Thank you,

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Name Change Comments

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The names of historic figures, places or events in the history of our country have historically been and are used to identify people, landmarks or events that make up our country’s history. The memorials invite questions as to who, what or why were the reason(s) for the naming. History is full of people, important places and events that made and make our history.

Whether the reasoning for the landmarks historical value may fail to live up to the initial intents for honoring events and people of a time in our history or do not withstand the scrutiny of time and enlightenment they should remain part of history. Either way history is best served to first acknowledge the evil truths of some our past history but welcome the many enlightened changes to correct the way we view past history by the ‘melting pot’ of races and cultures that were seriously harmed. .

Admissions and acknowledgment of the past history surrounding the cultural suffering does not wholly qualify as a recompense. Historic evidence of political events has moved us to change by force of law and to try to ensure equality is a worthy and continuing effort.

Efforts to tear down past symbols of our history is not the answer. Trying in another way to hide the past or cover it up is a bigger mistake. It would in many ways limit inquiring young and others to ask questions about our history as displayed in the form of statues, buildings, street and highway names, public parks and so on.

I am against removing symbols as a remedy to obscure history. It is better to know our history than trying to hide it.

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Confederate Names should be changed. Additionally anything named for Harry Byrd he was the real racist.

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Comments on Proposed Highway Name Changes

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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I strongly oppose the proposal to rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

First, the proposal is an Orwellian attempt to erase history. The importance of Robert E. Lee and Andrew Jackson to the history of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia is beyond question. Let that history be studied and debated, not denied.

Second, the naming of highways for these individuals is obviously not an endorsement of everything they ever said or did in their lives. They were 19th century leaders who cannot be expected to have complied in all respects with 21st century standards. Moreover, all humans are imperfect. If the names of Lee and Jackson cannot appear on the highways, then no one else's names can appear on them, because no human is flawless. Every human has said or done something that most would agree should not have been said or done. The result will then be that highways and other public structures can be identified only by numbers and letters, which will make for a barren and sterile world.

Third, one can simultaneously disapprove of the Confederacy and recognize Robert E. Lee's service to the United States before the Civil War, as well as his great bravery during the Civil War in fulfillment of what he regarded as his duty. He was an adversary of the Union, but showing respect for one's adversaries after a battle is often the path to reconciliation. Indeed, it is quite possible that many Confederate monuments erected in the United States after the Confederacy had been defeated were, at least in part, the reflection of a desire for reconciliation. Hundreds of thousands of human beings lost their lives fighting for the Confederacy. They acted to defend a world that they were born into, and it is not wrong to recognize their sacrifice and suffering.

Fourth, and finally, the very effort to change the names is itself clearly part of a political attempt to provoke racial antagonism as a means to promote radical policies on more substantive issues. The names of these highways are not oppressing anyone, but the politicization of these names is being used as a way to make some people of today feel wronged by, and other people of today feel guilty for, events of more than a century and a half ago that no person living today had anything to do with. Manufacturing grievances over road names is just a way of manipulating people to advance the political objectives of those who want to change the political and social systems by replacing a merit-based society with one based on racial preferences administered by bureaucrats. Such exploitation should be condemned, not rewarded with never-ending excursions for dredging up ancient wrongs.

I doubt that you will pay any attention to these comments, because I think your mind is probably already made up, but I hope that you will prove me wrong in that regard by showing the courage to resist the pressure to change these names.

Douglas E. Phillips
Oakton, Virginia

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Name Change NO!

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My wife and I are against renaming Lee Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee Highway.

Thomas A. Bruce

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Renaming Highways

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Renaming of major roadways in Fairfax

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I am strongly opposed to any renaming of Lee Highway(rt29) or Lee-Jackson Highway(rt50) for the sake of a few progressive/radical opponents. We should learn from history, good and bad, and not bury it by whitewashing our heritage and our proud county and State! Forget about the costs involved and the inconveniences to all residents. Have we nothing better to address and do for our residents and neighbors!

Please don't change any roads but just improve what we currently have!

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Frank

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Where is the survey?

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Leave the names of the highways as they are.

If renaming, I suggest Donald Trump Avenue.

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Lee Highway Confederate Task Force Commentary

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jsmwarplanes@aol.com

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Greetings,

I have lived in McLean, Virginia all my life and now have a 1 year old son (he represents the 10th generation of my family born in America). I have ancestors that served with both the Confederacy and Union armies during the Civil War. I think it is of great importance to preserve Virginia's history. General Robert E.Lee was a hero to most Virginians in his own time and after. The political climate has changed much since those days. Just because people have different viewpoints in 2021, that does not mean that they have the right to change, remove, or otherwise alter historical names and events.

If it was a Union general who was thus honored with a highway name, I would also argue that the name should be preserved. I am in favor of preserving all history, regardless of how it is thought of in current times. If we cannot learn from the successes and failures of previous generations of Virginians, then we will have a very poor future as a whole.

Please preserve our history by allowing Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway to remain intact. Name newly constructed roads after historical figures that are important to the current generations of Virginians.

James Slagle McClintock

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ABSOLUTELY Rename Routes 29 & 50

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Andrew Baroody <andrew.j.baroody@gmail.com>

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Dear Confederate Names Task Force,

I am a white male lifelong Fairfax County resident voicing my unconditional and adamant support for renaming any and all highways, roads, schools, parks, places, and/or monuments of or to the Confederacy, including the removal of the monuments if/where applicable.

Honoring anything from the Confederacy remains despicable. Nearly NOTHING is named after women. This is a chance to change that. Naming these highways after any admirable historical FEMALE and/or Black Virginian (and/or American) figure or activist would be an excellent message to counter the decades of enshrining a Confederate antagonist to all we as a country claim to stand for.

Anything honoring a Confederate or the Confederacy sends a shameful message that we honor symbols of racism and treason, and continue not to value the voices and contributions of our Black, Latino, and Indigenous community. It prolongs trauma inflicted on the minority community, which persists in all aspects of our daily life. They have long cried out about the harm these symbols cause them; to leave the name would be to continue telling them “we don’t care about what harms you.”

Discarding names and symbols of the Confederacy is the EASIEST & SIMPLEST step to take in addressing trauma inflicted upon minority communities and the LEAST we can do to reverse it. A change sends a small but significant message to our BIPOC brothers, sisters, and children that they matter. It would also introduce to the community at large a figure many may not be familiar with, and incentivize them to learn a little more about a POSITIVE figure in our history.

Thank your for your time and attention.

Andrew Baroody
Herndon, VA 20170

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway be renamed

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Stop wasting tax money doing woke work. Are we going to rename "Fairfax" county also. Pretty sure Lord Fairfax probably owned slaves back in 1770s.

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VC

Veronica M. Czastkiewicz <veronica.czastkiewicz@gmail.com>

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Hello,

I am a resident of (James Ewell Brown "Jeb") Stuart Court in Annandale (intersects with (Geroge Edward) Pickett Court, of similar historical infamy), and would like to voice my appreciation for the task force's work and urge the task force to recommend a change to my street's name.

I am appalled and ashamed to live on a street bearing the name of a confederate general. I believe the persistence of these names adorning our streets is exclusionary, perpetuates systemic racism, and unnecessary. It is past time to change these names in honor of persons, tribes, places, and/or historical events our community can be proud of.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Veronica Czastkiewicz
3817 Stuart Court
Annandale

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming routes 50 and 29

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DOT Info

Wed 11/3/2021 5:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 1:17 PM
To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming routes 50 and 29

JudithMcDaniel (not verified) (judithwow92@google.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Fconfederate_names_task_force&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C8785690959db4373f18408d99ef1a759%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637715582988532281%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Iklk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&data=p93v0aobtGSyH3qxjFUbSEKvg3hSbr4QSrIK6YMogLY%3D&reserved=0.

Message

I am opposed to renaming routes 50 and 29. Lee joined the Confederate army because his family pressed him to do do. Also, the costs to change signage would be very, very high. These are long roads that cross county lines. Do other counties plan to change the names? Or would the names be noncontiguous?

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Requested comments on Lee Hwy/Lee-Jackson Hwy

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DOT Info

Wed 11/3/2021 5:45 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 1:11 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Requested comments on Lee Hwy/Lee-Jackson Hwy

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Message

As a long-standing resident of Fairfax County, I vote to change the names of both highways ASAP.

P. S. Swanson

Harmony A404

2980 Centreville Rd

Herndon, VA 20171

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Wed 11/3/2021 5:46 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>
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To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Message

I am an immigrant who’s lived in the US for over fifty years.
The US has been generous to me and I’ve made a comfortable life here.
Although there have been bumps on the road, I would not live anywhere else, and I’ve traveled widely.
Nevertheless, I’ve been saddened by the recent rush to vilify certain historical figures, who are albeit flawed. This rush to judgment is dangerous as it starts us on the proverbial “slippery slope”. I’m disappointed at the short sightedness of authorities who are intent on changing names, believing they wipe the slate clean. We should rather provide context for future generations. If history is to be taught, you cannot selectively erase portions of it, depending on the whims of a group in power. Juvenal’s question “quits custodies ipsos custodes” (who guards the guardians) is a central concern of free societies.
I do NOT support changing the names of the two highways. By calling attention to the names, the authorities threaten to further polarize a society which is in need of reconciling.
Sincerely
Akbar Husain
703-356-7938
akbarxhusain@gmail.com
6308 Long Meadow Road, McLean, VA 22101

FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Message

The highways should not be renamed.

This is not because I support, in any way, the aims of the Confederacy or the propriety of secession. The Civil War, and the factors that led to it, were in every way a dark and tormented part of our history.

They were, however, and still are, a critical part of our history and one that cannot simply be erased by the renaming of two highways.

The names should remain -- as daily reminders of the pain and suffering inherent in those times, the progress we have made since then, and the distance that we have yet to travel as a nation.

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Survey on Renaming Lee Highway

RG

Randall Gordon <rcgordon1978@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 5:46 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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My wife and I adamantly oppose renaming Lee Highway. If we continue to erase the commonwealth's history, the current and future generations will never be able to learn from it -- both the good and the bad.

Thanks.

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming Route 29 and Route 50

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Wed 11/3/2021 5:49 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming Route 29 and Route 50

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Message

I think that renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway is unnecessary and would result in very costly expenditures for all who occupy residences and businesses there.

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FW: Renaming 29 & 50

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Wed 11/3/2021 5:53 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



From: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 11:10 AM
To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: FW: Renaming 29 & 50

Good morning,

This email was in the OPA email box. Would you please reply to the constituent and cc OPA?

Thanks,
Carmen

From: rblaine1004@gmail.com <rblaine1004@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 4:30 PM
To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: Renaming 29 & 50

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Message:I don't understand why history is being deleted. Renaming Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Highway have had their names for decades. If you delete history, you are likely to re-live that history all over again. Why are you trying to rewrite the history of the United States of America? All for the sake of people who terrorize and riot in our streets.

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FW: Roads with Confederate Names

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Wed 11/3/2021 5:54 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



From: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 11:05 AM
To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: FW: Roads with Confederate Names

Good morning,

This email was in the OPA email box. Would you please reply to the constituent and cc OPA?

Thanks,
Carmen

From: redmann@gmail.com <redmann@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 6:06 PM
To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: Roads with Confederate Names

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Message:Please do NOT change the names of Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Highway. This is part of the United States history and we need to keep our history. DO NOT bow to the cancel culture. Do NOT go woke on us. We need to stop this craziness now.

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Purely Political

TW

Teresa Wood <xstchlady@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 5:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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I feel this move to change names is strictly political and costing taxpayers unnecessary spending of our tax dollars. The school board is also costing taxpayers millions of tax dollars by changing the name of schools unnecessarily.

The FCPS School board should consider renaming all schools/future schools PS 1, PS2, etc and Fairfax County should change all street names/future streets to 123rd ST SW, SE, NW, NE, etc. Go to strictly numbered streets and don't use any names whatsoever.

Unfortunately, this is our history, stop trying to change it or erase it!

Also, what about our American Indians? Are you going to try to change all those street names too?

Don't change it for one race and not all. So stop it. Use our tax dollars wisely.

Teresa Wood
xstchlady@gmail.com

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FW: change of lee jackson Memorial highway name

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DOT Info

Wed 11/3/2021 5:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



From: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 11:02 AM
To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: FW: change of lee jackson Memorial highway name

Good morning,

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Thanks,
Carmen

From: amelfarhatamel@gmail.com <amelfarhatamel@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 7:53 PM
To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: change of lee jackson Memorial highway name

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Message:Great Idea! I would love you to consider Ruth bader Ginsbourg Highway! she fought for equality! for women and men!

Submitted By: Amel
Telephone: 202-725-8076

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Re: Notice of Proposed Change of Names for Routes 29 & 50

A

attyabeq@aol.com

Wed 11/3/2021 6:05 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: authorgus@verizon.net











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With all the needs of the county roads and transportation for the poor, disabled and elderly, the level of stupidity and political arrogance from a minute element in the Fairfax County Government never ceases to amaze me. Have you thought of the havoc it will reap on business and residential addresses; not to count the expenditure of funds. And for what? I have used, as have my friends and colleagues, these roads for more than 30 years. I never associated them with Confederates,or any other figures in U.S. history, until it became fashionable for a handful of political opportunists to hustle political divisions for their political ends.

In closing, I am 1,000% opposed to spending limited County resources on fools errands. Thank you and rest assured that I will place a FOIA and find out what imbeciles came up with this idea. Next thing you know these same idiots will call on the Italian Government to change the name of Rome to something,else, because Nero at one time was its Emperor.

August Bequai
1628 :Linway Park Dr.
McLean, VA 22101
Tel.: (571) 277-5996
authorgus@verizon.net

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Lee Highway/Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Karen Smith <karensmith118@hotmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 6:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Please DO NOT rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Karen Smith
Reston, VA

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

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Specter of creeping Communism American Style

JU

Justin Ungaro <foggybottom56@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 6:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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I am totally opposed to changing of any and all historical sites, statutes, streets, highways, period! In 1948-49 I had already experienced this kind of communistic "cancel culture" madness in what then became one of the Iron Curtain countries of then Eastern Europe. You are playing with fire and caving in to the neo-Marxist BLM etc. pressure at your own peril.

Rejecting any attempt to change historical names would send a message to the crypto commies that the sane folks of the community will NOT cave in to the Cancel Culture insanity.

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Changing names of Rt 29 and Rt 50

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Wed 11/3/2021 6:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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Message

Since I only received the notification of the meetings on Nov. 2 I have missed all the meetings. Was this planned?

I object very much to the changing of the names. It would not change the history which is obviously what Fairfax County wants. It was bad enough that the name of Robert E. Lee High School was changed.

What names are under consideration? How long will they last? Until the next riot? This ruling by uprising in the street is unfair to the majority of the public who are law abiding persons. How many historians are on this Task Force? How many people from this area who have lived here a long time?

This is wrong.

Vonette Bryson
Centreville, VA

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Complete Waste of County Resources

GS

Garry Scutt <gscutt@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 6:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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After receiving a post card in regards to the possibility of renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway, I was utterly incensed. That Fairfax Country can find another way to waste resources of time and tax money is absurd. There is absolutely NO reason to rename these highways for any reason. If some crybaby is upset about their names then let them write the chieck to pay for all costs associated with this nonsense. With all the issues Fairfax County residents are dealing with today that the country would waste time and money and effort on such nonsense is absurd. NO NEED TO CHANGE NAMES and this idiotic task force must be dissolved immediately. Just the fact that the County has wasted postage to mail out the post card is offensive. This is not what I pay taxes for!!!

Garry A. Scutt
7918 Frye Road
Alexandria, VA 22309
703-799-7679

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson, Rt 50

DS

Diane Sorenson <dianesoren7@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 6:41 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I think we should keep them the same. There has been so much money put into replacing and changing names, all across the country. Lee is a name of many good people. We need to think of positive things and our use of money wisely. This will not end, as negative thinkers will always find some other place to change, and find bad things in the background of good people too. If Lee-Jackson is too "pointed", then just use one of the two names. There are many incredible people with the same names, that we can focus on to replace or erase the association to the Civil War. I feel for all the wrongs our country has done, but unless hearts are changed, by our "loving our neighbor" and doing our duty to care for and not speak evil against others, we can not win the battle. The simple names do not stir in me animosity.
Diane Sorenson

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Confederate names for roads

GC

Gerald Cook <gcook@gmu.edu>

Wed 11/3/2021 6:46 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Lee Highway, Rt 29 and Lee-Jackson Highway, Rt 50 should not be renamed. They should keep the names they have.

Gerald Cook

Gerald Cook, ScD, PE
Earle C. Williams Professor Emeritus
Electrical and Computer Engineering
George Mason University

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Route 29 and Route 50 Renaming

Dear Sir or Madam:

The essential issue involved here is this: What exactly did the person in question do that justifies his or her being put, sometimes quite literally, on a pedestal ? In the case of Confederate leaders, the act for which they are being honored is one of rebellion against the United States of America and in defense of the Southern status quo, a major element of which was slavery. The salient question is not whether the person himself or herself was acting with good intentions but whether the act itself was, in final analysis, noble and honorable and worthy of emulation by future generations. Just as it is possible to do the right thing for the wrong reasons, in which case it is still the right thing, it is also possible to do the wrong thing with the best of intentions, in which case it is still the wrong thing.

It will be of course argued that renaming roads and removing statues is somehow "erasing history". No, no historical documents are being destroyed and no books are being burned. The history is all still there, readily available to all who are interested. Also, the historical value of a road name or a statue is, at best, questionable. Rather, these things are done more to make a point or create an impression, so the question then becomes one of whether the point or impression being conveyed is worthwhile.

It will also be argued that the Confederacy was not all about slavery. Well, no, actually it was. Every state that seceded from the Union issued a statement as to why it was taking this action, and every one mentioned slavery as a root cause. Yes, it's true that the average Confederate soldier was not a slave owner, but that's because owning slaves was an expensive proposition that only the wealthier plantation owners could afford. The average Johnny Reb certainly had no qualms about the institution itself.

Look at it this way. Many of the people who rioted downtown on Jan. 6 probably thought they were doing the right and patriotic thing. Should we be erecting statues and naming roads to honor them too ?

So, in conclusion, just let Routes 29 and 50 be simply that and nothing more. Lose the Confederate names.

Sincerely,
Vic Bermudez
7584 Vogels Way
Springfield, VA 22153-1826
Phone: 703-712-3548 (mobile)
E-mail: bermudez@alum.mit.edu

Lee HWY and LEE-Jackson Memorial Hlghway renaming

SK

Stephen Keller <skeller78@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 7:15 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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I am Stephen Keller, residing at 3840 Whitman Rd, Annandale, VA 22003

I agree with removing these names from the two highways as described on the website. I don't agree that traitors to the USA should be honored in such a way.

Ideally the new names should reflect either African-American heroes who fought to preserve the Union, preferably of Virginia descent, or women's suffrage heroes. Another possibility is to honor General Colin Powell.

thank you

SRK

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Name Changes

JM

john mielcarek <mielcarekjohn@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 7:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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You can't change history. If you don't like it, learn from it so it doesn't repeat itself. Stop wasting taxpayer money on people's feelings. Redirect the money for education to change the culture.

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Renaming of Highways

AP

Al Piekut <piekut1@verizon.net>

Wed 11/3/2021 7:29 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Dear Task Force;

I would like to see the two highways renamed for two modern military men: Collin Powell and John McCain. I submit that these two men were true heroes of the United States and should be given the respect that they deserve. Lee and Jackson may have been skilled soldiers but they did their best to tear down the United States. I am extremely grateful that they failed in this effort and feel that they should not be honored. Thank you very much and best of luck.

Alphonse Piekut

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Renaming Routes 29 and 50 in Fairfax County Unnecessary

G

Garry <garry.sauner@rcn.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 7:51 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Dear Task Force Members,

I received in the mail a request for public input.

I do not think the names of Lee Highway (Route 29) nor Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County should be changed. To do so requires new signage which costs money which, in my opinion, would be better spent on higher priorities like human services, highway or road improvements, or health care in Fairfax County, VA.

Sincerely,

Garry Sauner
(703) 534-5244

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Feedback on the renaming of Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

HA

HS Allison <snowcreekcottage@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 8:16 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to offer my thoughts on the renaming of Lee and Lee-Jackson highways.

The roads were named for Generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson out of respect for their battlefield prowess. They were seen, at least in the south, as the greatest Civil War generals. While “Stonewall” Jackson did not survive the war, Lee did. We can never know what Jackson would have become had he survived the war but we know Lee was paroled and took the oath to rejoin the United States. Lee was a refined man who took a position as president at Washington College in Lexington, Va. until his death in 1870.

The southern states had little to celebrate about the years 1861 to 1865, except their pride in their generals. Lee Highway was named 54 years after the end of the Civil War and Lee-Jackson 56 years. It was a period when the last of the veterans who served during the Civil War were dying out. The monuments and roads named for these generals were memorials meaningful to those whose families had served under them. Never forget that it is not the soldier who decides to go to war, but rather to obey his government.

Would renaming these roads matter in the overall scheme of things, no. But it would show that we no longer care about those who stood, fought, and died when their country asked them to do so should the political winds change and go against them at a later time.

Personally, I see no reason to make the changes.

Henry Allison

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Renaming of Route 29 and Route 50

PS

Peter Sefcik <psjr711@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 8:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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It is my opinion that the subject highways SHOULD NOT have their names changed. We must preserve Virginia and United States history. Changing the names serves to rewrite history and that is a dangerous and destructive path to go down. Thank you.

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(No subject)

RG

Reid Griffin <griffat141@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 8:50 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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This is a big waste of money to try to wipe out history. Good or bad history is needed. Where does the money come from? Teachers salaries, food for poor kids or just tax us more? And all to please the feelings of a few. Bet the people saying change the names and take down the monuments will not pay for it out of their pockets. A lot more important things to work on!

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Route 29/Route 50 name change

KH

Katarina Holtje <katjaholtje@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 8:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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It should be simple. Everyone knows these roads by their numbers anyway, so don't rename them after a person. Use origin to destination names- Like DC metro directions. Start and end points at the states' lines. Less confusing and avoids controversies.

VA Example: Roslyn/Capon Bridge. These are the state lines where 50 begins and ends.

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Renaming Routes 29 & 50

MS

Monica & Bob Scott <houzboat43@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 8:58 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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I do think that these highways should be renamed. It is past time for Fairfax County to leave the civil war behind.

Thank you,
Monica Scott

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway name changing decision

HL

Heather Li <rubinglm@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 8:59 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Hello,
We do not think that these two road names should be changed. It is a waste of time and money to be spent on this matter, but we should spend time on resources for education, improving the world, climate change, etc. Thank you for reaching out to ask for our opinion.

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Feedback on changing street name

KP

khandu patel <khandupatel2014@icloud.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 9:29 PM

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I do not agree to changing name of the street and highway.

Khandu patel
3602 willoughby point lane
Fairfax, VA 22033
Sent from my iPhone

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Lee Highway(Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway(Route 50)

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carlgrim723 <carlgrim723@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 9:30 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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I can't believe I'm emailing this letter,I thought all of these issues were resolved 160 plus years ago. Apparently not.... Being a 6th generation Virginian I take serious offense to the renaming of roads and the desgration of our heritage. I absolutely disagree with changing the names of. these highways. If I were to take survey 95%of the people wouldn't even know who Lee&Jackson were. Stop wasting time and money on things that won't help improve normal people's life.

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Robert E. Lee

JK

John King <johnlkingiii@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 9:52 PM

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Robert E. Lee was an avowed racist and a seditionist who tried to overthrow the United States government by actually WAGING WAR against our nation. Those are FACTS.

How and why he escaped prison following the Civil War, I will never understand.

Anything else you need to know about him?

Confining the bastard to the trash heap of history is 155 years overdue.

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Kimberly Wood <kimmiewood@verizon.net>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:07 PM

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Hello,

I request that the names Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway remain as they are. It is not necessary to change every single name that is associated with Civil War generals or people who owned slaves. The names are part of our history, and shouldn't be erased. Additionally, I don't want my taxpayer money spent on the massive undertaking of changing names.

Thank you,

Kimberly

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Should Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County be renamed?

DK

David Krohmal <dkrohmal@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:14 PM

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Question: Should Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County be renamed?

Answer: Yes. Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County should be renamed. Naming the roadways for Robert E. Lee and Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson honored them for their service as Generals in the Confederate States Army. These men should not be honored for taking up arms against the United States of America. The most expeditious, economical, and simple thing to do is to rename the roadways as Routes 29 and 50.

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Rename Route 29 and Route 50

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fpfaria <fpfaria@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:16 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Dear Sirs

Change the names of streets doesn't change History.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Changing Highways 29 and 50

MH

Matt Henken <matthenken@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:22 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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To the Fairfax County Supervisors and other officials,

My name is Matt Henken. I have lived in Annandale for 13 years, and Virginia for 15 years. I wanted to share my thoughts on the proposed renaming of Highways 29 and 50.

Roads, buildings, statues, and other public works are celebrations of what our community can do together for one another. These endeavors take significant labor and time. And once complete, these public works should be celebrated. Naming these public works is a solemn responsibility. If a community names a roadway, it should be named for an individual who has done something significant for that community.

All humans are flawed. The County should not strive to identify an individual who is perfect--you won't find any. Many of our Founding Fathers, including Virgnians, held deeply troubling thoughts and policies. But I support retaining names for Founding Fathers.

Confederate leaders, on the other hand, are substantially different. Generals Lee and Jackson literally commanded the killing of American soldiers. The purpose of this killing was solely to preserve the institution of slavery. These are not individuals to be celebrated in public spaces.

Fairfax County can demonstrate to ourselves and others that we have moved beyond the evil legacy of slavery and the Confederacy by removing names of their leaders from today's public works that should be named for people of honor.

Thank you.

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Renaming Lee Hwy & Lee-Jackson Hwy

SB

STEVE BOYCE <sboycemg@aol.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:25 PM

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I strongly oppose renaming these roads. They are a part of history and I view this initiative, in part, as something that tries to erase history. I do not view these road names as offensive in any way. I am also opposed to renaming these roads because it would cost a considerable amount of money that could be far better spent doing something that really matters.

Stephen Boyce
8215 Labbe Lane
Vienna, VA 22182

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Routes 29 & 50 Renaming

SP

Susan Powell <spowellbiker@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:29 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Seriously? We are just plain weary of the idiocy these days regarding the issues of renaming roads, schools, and all types of public properties! It sickens us to see OUR tax dollars being spent on such pointless initiatives! Not only that, but school boards have proven the futility of collecting public opinions on such matters.

I know of two cases where a vast majority of the public spoke out vehemently against renaming public schools, but the school boards proceeded in direct opposition to the majority of citizen input. Our voices no longer matter or affect outcomes.

Active voters are rising up against such examples of the bastardization of our American system. Wasting our tax revenue on these efforts is just plain OFFENSIVE! Stop it!

--

Susan M. Powell

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CS

Christopher Supernor <csupernor@yahoo.com>











Wed 11/3/2021 10:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Task Force,

I am emailing you to provide feedback regarding proposals to rename Rt 29 and Rt 50. I am a taxpayer and Fairfax county Resident.

I urge the Task Force to recommend against the use of any tax payer funds to accomplish any renaming effort. Spending millions of dollars to replace street signs and take other necessary actions would be a poor use of tax payer dollars which can be better spent on other more important public welfare matters.

The Task Force should urge the county to allow a renaming effort that is privately funded. The county could sell naming rights or accept a donation to cover the costs of any renaming efforts. Then the county could at no taxpayer expense replace existing names with Krispy Kreme Highway, Jiffy Lube Express, or the Amazon Trail.

Sincerely,

Chris Supernor
7370 Deansgate Ct
Springfield, VA 22150

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Lee and Lee-Jackson name changes

BF

Bill Fang <goodbywlf@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:40 PM

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I am in favor of changing the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway so they no longer contain Confederate names.

William Fang
Springfield, VA

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Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

DU

David U <daveu97@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:40 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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o, I don't think the names should be changed - doing so does not change history and we shouldn't be trying to change it.
The cost of doing so is a waste of funds....want to do something with those funds, how about getting the panhandlers off the streets. They cause delays and accidents.
No, I think the changing of the names is just as ridiculous as the removal of statues!

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Confederate name changes

E

ES <eseam@verizon.net>

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Let’s change these road names. The name of a road should not refer to offensive issues. The civil war was lost many years ago and we shouldn’t be memorializing enemies of our government.

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Re: Lee highway and lee-jackson highway

QS

Q S <qsun7@hotmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 10:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Are we going to also rename anything named after our founding father? This whole thing is so political and absurd. Please use common sense.

Thanks

Qing sun

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To: dotconfederatenamestaskforce@fairfaxcounty.gov
<dotconfederatenamestaskforce@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: Lee highway and lee-jackson highway

I am against renaming. This is part of the history. We cannot and should not attempt in separating our selves from the past.

We should not even have a task force for this silly things. Where is the end? Are we going to blowup Washington monument in DC just because he was a slave owner? Please put tax payers dollars into better use, for God's sake. Wokeness is killing this great country.

Thank you

Ben Sun

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Renaming of streets

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jdrickards@cox.net
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Leave history alone. Lear from History and don't try to rewrite it.

John Rickards
Fairfax, VA

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Renaming lee highway 29/50

DJ

Debbi Johnson <debbijohnson2020@outlook.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 11:25 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Whether we like the names or not, they are a part of our history. We should keep the names as it reminds us of our history. Whether we like it or not, if we try to change our history we are only doomed to repeat it.

We shouldn't try to change things because of a few vocal people but rather keep it the way of the majority.

To reiterate, keep the names as they are. Thanks for requesting input.

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Rename Lee-Jackson but keep Lee Hwy

LP

Liane Paulson <lianepaulson@hotmail.com>

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Although I was for changing the name of my alma mater, Washington-Lee HS to Washington Liberty HS, I never actually thought of Lee Highway as related to Robert E. Lee. It's just a name like Smith. And it doesn't say "memorial" in the name. So it doesn't bother me.

I think that Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed. We should not be memorializing two generals on the losing side of a war that tore our country apart. If we want to recognize battles that happened nearby, perhaps there are union commanders from the US IX and III Corps who might be more appropriate. Or name it for the battle of Chantilly -- Chantilly Boulevard.

Thank you for renaming Jefferson Davis Highway. Now if you would hurry up and get those signs down on Route 1 and 95. They drive me crazy every time I see them!

Thanks,
Liane Paulson
[7519 Salem RD](#)
Falls Church, VA 22043

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GJ

Glen Jackson <glenrjack@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 11:54 PM

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I am opposed to renaming the streets. They are part of Virginia’s history. Both streets already have two names each with the confederate name and the hwy number. We can’t erase our history but learn from it.

I attempted to access the survey on the web site but received an error message both times. It states the web site could not be found.

Fairfax County should be more focused on crime, what is taught in our public schools and not spending \$\$ on CTS and outside consultants, lowering taxes and helping the economy.

Kindest Regards,

Glen Jackson
(703)980-7911

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My views on Renaming Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

LC

Lisa Cherup <cheruplisa@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 11:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: John Newman <legal@aol.com>

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Hello- I am a long-time Fairfax County resident. I strongly favor renaming Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Generals Lee and Jackson have been honored by the State of Virginia for decades, in a variety of ways and places. It is time for a change.

My suggestion is this- find a Virginia woman who is important in the State’s and/or the Nation’s History.

I am aware that there were three Virginia women who were suffragettes, who during President Wilson’s time in office, were arrested for protesting In favor of women having the right to vote, in Lafayette Park, in D.C. and who were sent to Lorton Prison and force fed when they stopped eating, In protest of their treatment.

You may want to consider one of them.

It definitely should be a female Virginia, important in history, and for a time period OTHER THAN THE CIVIL WAR. Virginia has been fixated on Civil War history for too long.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my views.

Sincerely,

Lisa Cherup Newman

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BB

Bruce O. Beaulieu <bobeaulieu@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 11:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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It is far past the time that we should acknowledge that the confederates who fought against it were traitors. This is particularly true for those who swore allegiance to the United States and were members of the US military then deserted to join the rebellion. Lee was the only one of four southern born colonels (if I remember my readings correctly) who resigned from the US Army in support of the rebellion. The same as Arlington county did by changing Washington and Lee High School to Washington and Liberty, Fairfax County needs to acknowledge it is no longer appropriate or acceptable to recognize a traitor by naming highways (or any other public building, road, street, park, etc) for them. As a point of reference, I am a VMI graduate (class of 1969), prior Infantry officer, and civil service retiree.

Bruce O. Beaulieu

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29/50

I am a new resident of Virginia, and just retired after 29 years of active duty service. I'm originally from NY; my grandparents or great grandparents having immigrated there in the early 1900's. I have no love for the confederacy or any such cause. I do however recognize and appreciate the reality in which the American people lived in back then. Lee and Jackson were soldiers, loyal their community and most relevant government at the time; their State. That obligation was so strong back then, that families on opposite sides of an imaginary line would go to war with each other due to that obligation. Virtually nobody, given the sheer numbers involved, neglected that responsibility.

These men served their country for decades regardless of their personal beliefs, in order to protect their neighbors and their family. They both distinguished themselves in the US Army prior to the civil war, and although Jackson did not survive, Lee further distinguished himself after the war while working to reunite the country. Lee's dedication to serve, and professionalism among political disputes was so respected by the president, Lincoln even asked him to lead the US army after the secession was announced. So much of the public today focus on new and popular movements without understanding the history behind past decisions, or the value of service (military or otherwise) that people are recognized for. Regardless of the size or popularity of public recognition, I'd like to think that the sacrifices made by our soldiers and sailors can be recognized for what they are, and that the continued sacrifices of our soldiers today will not be soiled because of a change in our children's social or political opinion.

These men served their country with honor, regardless of how misdirected their political leaders were. Whether the decision was to invade Mexico, or leave the Union, it was not their decision. This is not a monument to a politician or political ideology, it is a remembrance of the sacrifice and service of these soldiers, and those who served under them. I am not personally tied to the naming of a road, and I'm not even sure what the significance of naming these specific (geographic) roads after them is. I do think that erasing their legacy and the sacrifices they and their troops give up for their government and community is misdirected. They and all soldiers should be remembered and honored for their sacrifice, and not used as the basis for a political argument.

Very Respectfully,
Sean Brady

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Renaming

JB

Jamie Burke <Jamie@jtburkecc.com>

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Please reconsider renaming Lee Highway (Rte. 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy (Rte 50). Taking down statues, renaming schools and highways doesn't change the past For better or worse its better that people know the history.

While its very important to make room for new people in our time to be commemorated. How will we understand the past – if we don't know the people who played a role and at the time were revered?

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My views on Renaming Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Lisa Cherup <cheruplisa@gmail.com>

Wed 11/3/2021 11:55 PM

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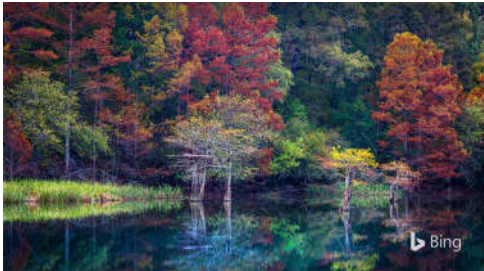
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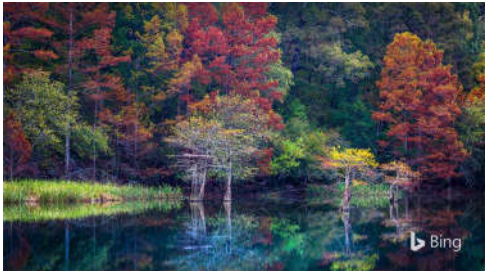
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I am baffled why we would honor people who took up arms against the constitution of the United States. The constitution that was signed in Philadelphia by our founding fathers and the constitution that we live under happily today.

Follow my logic and see if I have this incorrect. These two men (Lee and Jackson) Violated A sacred earth all soldiers take to defend their country. They then took up arms and we are responsible for the deaths of tens of thousands of US soldiers. And they did this all in the name of slavery so that the southern state could continue to subjugate human beings in chains to do manual labor and enrich them.

Please help me understand why my tax payer money should be spent honoring these two men. Please help me understand what they did to earn our honor and respect?

I am not suggesting that we “erase history”. On the contrary, these men should be featured in every school textbook, explaining who they are and what they did...just as British generals from the revolution are. They were brilliant military leaders who should be studied in all our military academies. What they should NOT be is revered and honored for what they did.

Betraying your country, violating oaths of fidelity and service, and killing federal officers is not behavior that should earn you a statue or street name.

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Hello my name is Brian Daniels and I have requested that you rename your highway from Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) to Micheal Jackson highway, in honor of the great American singer, songwriter, and dancer.

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SD

Sean Duffy <sduffy1541@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 2:29 AM

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Yes I think the names should be changed. I don't have specific names/ideas beyond perhaps Thurgood Marshall, I'm sure there will be no shortage of suggestions, including many not names of people.

Thanks,

Sean Duffy
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Carmen

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Message:fairfaxcouunty.gov-transportation/confederate-names-task-force It was the address a post card from you sent me to t comment on changing L:ee Highway's name I suggest you drop the whole idea. You're obviously not up to the task

Submitted By: William S. Estabrook III

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



From: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 4:24 PM

To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>; DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: RE: Changing Names

Hey Carmen,

Thanks much. We are not replying to messages. We have over 100 just today in our box.

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Robin

From: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>

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To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: FW: Changing Names

Good afternoon,

This email was in the OPA email box. Would you please reply to the constituent and cc OPA?

Thanks,
Carmen

From: aesteve99@gmail.com <aesteve99@gmail.com>

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Message:1. It is a waste of money. It is taxpayers money that is being wasted. 2. It confuses all of us that are used to the names. 3. Names are names. If names offend you then close your eyes or move to somewhere else. I have names that offend me and I could care less. 4. I assume all this task forces of

Confederate Names task force

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Adrienne & Bill Free <thefrees@cox.net>

Thu 11/4/2021 2:38 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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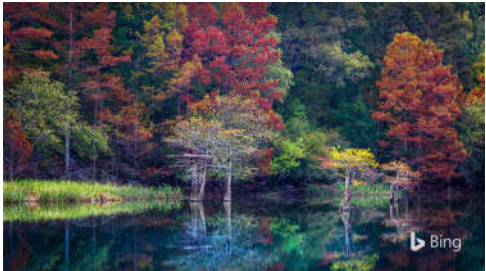
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One person's opinion...

The names on these roads meant something credible and important to the people who gave the roads these names in the first place. They were judged qualified then. Whom are we to judge people by our standards and reject the names just because they were 'confederates' or held views that we do not accept as worthy of merit by today's standards? Be more accepting of or open to other's opinions, whether in reference to road names or other topics.

If this is going to be the standard under which places and things are named, then all names that are not totally non-personal need to be changed NOW, and all future names need to follow this standard as well...and the standard should be put into law (which won't mean anything to future generations anyway, the same way we aren't willing to accept another's opinion today).

A Sully District resident of 35 years, and a college history major!!

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Lee Highway

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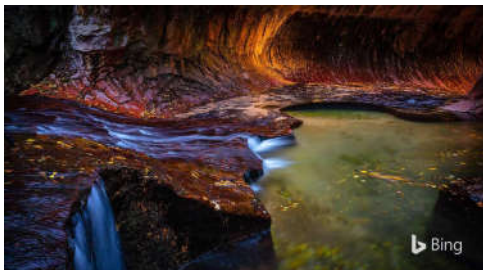
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No renaming

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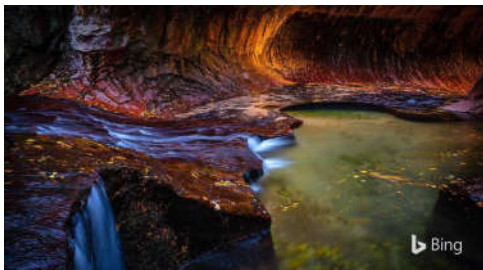
LAURA GEDRA <gedra5@verizon.net>

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Dear Task Force,

Do Not rename Lee Hwy or Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy.

I do not want to waste tax payer money.

Thanks for being smart,
Laura Gedra

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Jefferson davis highway rename, VIRGINia queen rename.

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earl gray <grayearlfour@outlook.com>

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<https://statesymbolsusa.org/symbol/virginia/state-name-origin/origin-virginia>

The state of Virginia was named after England's Queen Elizabeth I.

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- In the early 1600's, all of North America that was not Spanish or French was then called "Virginia" in honor of "**The Virgin Queen**," and the earliest English colonial expeditions were sent by the Virginia Company of London. Virginia became the 10th state on June 25, 1788.

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Benjamin Green <bgreen2@gmail.com>

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This name change is long overdue and I couldn't support it more. These men were traitors to their country and should have never had anything named after them in the first place. There are countless other worthy candidates in the history of Virginia to be honored in our public spaces.

Thank you,

Benjamin Green
12683 Magna Carta Rd, Herndon, VA 20171
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Benjamin W. Green
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Thu 11/4/2021 12:09 AM

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please don't waste taxpayers money. Common sense is more important than the Cultural Revolution!

Thank you,

Taxpayer, Alice Guo

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] LEE HIGHWAY & LEE JACKSON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

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Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] LEE HIGHWAY & LEE JACKSON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

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Message

I am adamantly opposed to renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

These names are part of the rich, proud history of Northern Virginia. Any arguments that maintain these names reflect the soldiers and Southern states support of slavery is nonsense.

Only a very/very small proportion of the Confederacy owned slaves...some 6% as I recall.

If the task force renames these highways where will this all end? The very idea of erasing history sounds like something that would be done in Russia or Red China. When people try to change history they do so at some risk. In several years when the tide of public sentiment blows in a different direction will we be eliminating any references to Martin Luther King or Frederick Douglas?

I would urge the task force to tread lightly with these proposed name changes. You are dealing with history. Walk the battle fields of the Civil War then tell me that the soldiers of the South were fighting, and dying, by the thousands in support of slavery. That's just not what happened.

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Name of Lee-Jackson memorial highway should be renamed

MI

Mary Ann Ingberg <maryanningberg@gmail.com>

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EJ

Eric Jacobs <edjake21@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 11:47 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Task Force,

Thank you for taking on this important issue.
I am not in favor of efforts to rename these historically named roads.

These are names of Americans that represent a history we must never forget. The Civil War, unlike other wars in our exceptional nation's history pit brother against brother.

I wish our nation to never forget just how bad it can be when our nation divides into such factions that peace can no longer be sustained.

Those names represent a healing of our nation's wounds, that will surely become reinfected if we are ever to lose cognition of such a deadly war between kin.

The names evoke curiosity that I hope infects the minds of the curious. I hope they take it upon themselves to read and research more about these integral figures in our history. Maybe they will read about both sides of the war, and the state of our nation at that time—and appreciate truly how much we have changed for the better. War is not always about good vs evil. It is often a battle that rages inside of us...inside of our nation.

Changing the names conceals our past. Our nation prides itself on looking forward to brighter futures. Those futures are brightest when contrasted against our pasts.

Keep the names. Recall our history for all its good and bad, and let these names raise the conversation to a level where we remember what war within can do to our nation.

Eric D. Jacobs, Lt Col (Ret), USAF
Springfield, VA
702-901-9999

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Rename Lee HIGHWAY

JJ

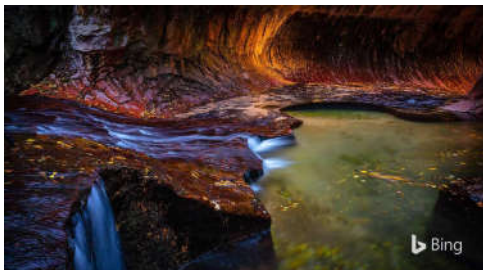
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Lee Highway and Lee Jackson should be renamed.

Jack and Susan Jeter
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Alexandria

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Opposed to Renaming Highways in Fairfax County

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Philip <pdlindahl@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 11:46 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear Sir or Madam,

We are opposed to renaming highways that have association to confederate names. One important reason for not renaming is that the great expense does not justify the benefit when there are so many more important needs within our community. This is an extremely costly proposition, while many of our roads and highways are badly in need of physical repair, not to mention great needs of our homeless and disadvantaged persons.

Secondly, although we strongly oppose slavery and mistreatment of any person, we appreciate our nations heritage and important historical figures. Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson were some of the most beloved military figures among American citizens from southern states during the civil war era. We are from the north, but still respect historical leaders from the south, many whom exhibited far greater character than most of the current political leaders from this era.

Philip and Bonnie Lindahl
12600 Etruscan Drive
Oak Hill, VA 20171

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I am against renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson memorial highway

NM

Nina Malkevich <ninamalkevich@gmail.com>

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RM

Richard Mason <richard@rsm830.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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As a U.S. citizen, I believe both highways should be renamed. Confederate generals are not heroes.

Richard S. Mason

12301 Fairfax Station Road

Clifton, VA 20124-1631

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Renaming of routes 29 & 50

- 1) Fairfax County Highway
- 2) Fairfax Regional Highway
- 3) Dogwood Blossom Highway
- 4) Red Cardinals Highway

People are used to saying Lee Highway so a similar sounding name might be appreciated

- 5) Key Highway
- 6) Bee Highway
- 7) Skee Highway
- 8) Gumtree Highway
- 9) Oak Tree Highway

And since we have over 200 Aerospace firms in Virginia.

- 10) Space Drive Highway
- 11) Quantum Drive

OR

We can Leave the present names in place, But teach that these mens' support of enslavement, & Jackson's signing of the Indian Removal Act were Deplorable. Especially grievous was Lee's treatment of his runaway slaves.

At the same time teach that both men especially Jackson fought to protect the Country and that Jackson as President worked to advance the rights for the common man, overhauled a corrupt banking system, and according to Wikipedia:

" An expansionist president, Jackson sought to advance the rights of the "common man"^[1] against a "corrupt aristocracy"^[2] and to preserve the Union.

Jackson, regarding the Bank as a corrupt institution that benefited the wealthy at the expense of ordinary Americans, vetoed the renewal of its charter. After a lengthy [struggle](#), Jackson and his allies thoroughly dismantled the Bank. In 1835, Jackson became the only president to completely pay off the national debt, fulfilling a longtime goal. Jackson pursued numerous reforms designed to eliminate waste and corruption "

This is just my take on the situation.
I feel we could go either way if done properly.

Carole Medoff
Reston, VA

Have a beautiful day

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Destroying History

TM

Thomas Murphy <tjmurphy1947@gmail.com>

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Task Force,

Those that ignore history are destined to repeat its mistakes. To be frank, it's absolutely ridiculous to destroy American history, we progress as a society, as we did after the Civil War, change happened for the better. I am completely opposed to renaming highways or taking down statues.

Tom

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

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Message

Yes, renaming is appropriate.

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Should Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway be renamed?

CP

Carlos Padilla <c1padilla@hotmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 1:51 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Dear Task Force:

Should Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway be renamed?

Yes.

Insurrection against the United States Federal government should not be memorialized.

According to the Federalist Papers, the secret of the success of the United States is the UNION.

That is what Abraham Lincoln fought for and what has made the United States a great and wealthy nation. Had Lincoln not be shot, these monuments to the insurrectionists would probably have not been built.

The passage of time has shown that those who fought against the federal government were morally, politically, and economically wrong. They should not need not be celebrated.

These memorials should not remain a symbol and an inspiration for future insurrections against the authority of the Federl government.

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Fairfax confederate names task force,

I am responding to a question posed to the community by your office with regards to changing the names of routes 50 and 29. My quick answer is NO!

This "wokeness" is creating unnecessary expenses. Lee and Jackson are both historic figures and cannot be expunged from history just because you don't like the way in which they lived.

We need to study history, the good, bad and ugly so as not to repeat the ugly. Please save my tax dollars from these frivolous exploits and use them to truly educate folks instead.

Thank you

Pam Parsons

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To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

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Message

Do not change the name. This serves no meaningful purpose.
Changing the name of roads does not erase the historical value of the Civil War. Over 600,000 Americans (Black & Whites) gave their lives.

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sandyeq1@juno.com

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RE: Highways on routes 29 and 50 Lee Hwy and Lee Jackson Hwy should remain the same.
The cost to change them incurred on public and businesses having to change their address
and legal documents will put an unnecessarily burden on them.
Thank you

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Comments about the Lee Hwy and Route 50 Naming

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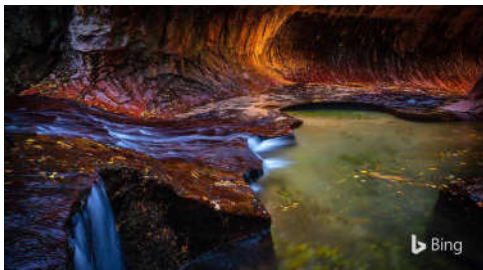
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Geraldine Schehr

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Renaming Lee and Lee-Jackson Highways

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F. Tracy Schonrock <ftracy1@cox.net>

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I support the renaming of these two highways to change from Confederate names. The Civil War is long over and the United States won!.

Thank you for recording my support.

F. Tracy Schonrock
Fairfax Station, VA



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Renaming of Routes 29 and 50

TS

Tim Shea <tshea1316@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To whom it may concern,.

We oppose the renaming of these two highways. History is history, and not to be re-written.

Your sincerely,

Timothy and Margarita Shea
6806 Old Stone Fence Road
Fairfax Station, VA 22039

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Lee Highway/Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway re-naming

KS

Karen Avery Solon <kesolon@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 1:26 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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In my opinion, YES, both highways ought to be re-named.

A name change, while costly, will reflect that the beliefs about race for which these two gentlemen fought -- that States or their citizens should have the right to enslave or otherwise deprive people of the fundamental civil or human rights that other citizens enjoy -- no longer reflect the values of the Commonwealth or of Fairfax County.

Why spend that money, whether from public, private, or some combination of funds?

Because I believe that the financial investment in the future culture of Virginia and Fairfax County is worth every penny. The future good of the County and Commonwealth is NOT served by continuing to honor General Lee and "Stonewall" Jackson. Indeed, efforts to preserve their legacy by keeping the names of these two roads, helps to perpetuate cultural attitudes that history, hopefully, is in the process of rejecting. Regardless of how blatant or how subtle the message, continuing to honor these mens broadcasts that our Government "believes" that the Confederate cause was just. The proper place for teaching about these men is in museums and history books, along with education about their mistaken betrayal of human and civil rights at the heart of our great American experiment. We sadly STILL seem to be testing, to this day, whether a nation that is dedicated to the proposition that "all [people] are created equal" can long endure.

So I believe strongly that -- instead of honoring Confederate soldiers -- we ought to be honoring the values at the heart of our Democracy, ones that help to promote its survival as a beacon of hope for true "liberty and justice for all."

Naming public spaces ought to honor such values, or the people whose lives are role models for the values and ideals to which we hope our young people will aspire. Indeed, re-naming those two roads should remind all citizens of the County and Commonwealth, as well as those who work or visit us, that we have moved beyond (or at the very least aspire to move beyond!) the racial questions about which we fought our Civil War.

Meanwhile, ongoing "cultural wars" continue, sadly -- with some people still trying to justify discriminating against groups of people and individual persons who genuinely wish to contribute their gifts and talents to our community, free from unfair, demeaning, and dehumanizing treatment. It's time, or past time, that our government chooses to honor the fundamental civil and human rights that are enshrined in our founding documents.

Thank you for considering my point of view.

Karen E. Solon
Fairfax County resident since 1974

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Bruce Lionel Wallenta (not verified) (wallenta@hotmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Fconfederate_names_task_force&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C92ded5c1ff9743ad1c2408d99f8d40b7%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637716251282568705%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=H97sGLJo%2BG06x8vHzoXHh0w88lrqXwMhB6F%2FI5dQpRQ%3D&reserved=0.

Message

I do not favor changing road names. Current names relate to true historic figures; but, more importantly, the names are established; and changing names creates confusion and occurs at an expense.

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GW

g w <outlook_1EF081E5B609573F@outlook.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 11:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: jmichaelalsup@aol.com

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28 people on the "Task Force"! Is this a full-time taxpayer-funded operation? How much is it costing me? How much does it cost to rename things? My county property taxes went up an outrageous amount during the *COVID economy* (instead of going down, as they would have under any legitimate, concerned, responsible local government). Why does it seem like the only "problems" political bureaucrats are capable of "fixing" are the phony, manufactured, woke issues that once "solved", produce nothing of real value, improves no one's quality of life (except that of the powerbrokers spending the taxpayers' money), and do nothing to put people in most need of help on a path of productivity, success and self-reliance?

This is a shameful, wasteful exercise, suspiciously self-serving to the people who are so expert at throwing around other peoples money. Did you learn anything from November 2?

Gregory J Wangler
703 307 2399

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee name

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Thu 11/4/2021 12:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 3:16 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee name

James Stickney Warson (not verified) (JJjf1@aol.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Fconfederate_names_task_force&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7Cbc769c1dae10490e14ad08d99f8e0abb%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637716254674469853%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikl1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=a2n2kp3QXOzdYcciRF2h%2B1bl9b8uPu6HkGBJcA4GpBo%3D&reserved=0.

Message

Robert E Lee is a part of American history regardless of what the cancel culture snowflakes think of him. Leave the Lee highway name alone as I am one who will be as depressed by the need to change all my address codes as the woke crowd would be to change them. They will not feel a bit better if the names are changed and will continue to harrass us with their insufferable demands

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Change of Names for Lee Hwy & Lee-Jackson Hwy

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Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 8:29 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Change of Names for Lee Hwy & Lee-Jackson Hwy

Peggy White (not verified) (gnpwhite11@gmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Ftransportation_general&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C7730cc6417164f5f57b408d99f8b4df1%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637716242932674778%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWlloiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikl1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&data=RxcUtP4hiYogZObnoyuDOvbsTLmtjxf8uf6QmV%2BTPCk%3D&reserved=0.

Message

Do NOT change the names of either highway.

1. We continue to change the history of this great country by changing names of highways, schools, tearing down statues, etc.

2. It is an expense this county does not need to pursue.

My late husband would have agreed with my assessment. He spent 30 years in the US Air Force, and he loved this country as I do.

Again, do NOT change the names of Route 29 or Route 50 or any other street or highway in Fairfax County or the state of Virginia.

Thank you for honoring my request.

Peggy White

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please stop such madness and wasting taxpayers money

YZ

yuyan zhou <whyzgm@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 2:27 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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About Highway rename

JZ

Jueren Zhou <jueren_zhou@yahoo.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 11:07 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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DO NOT RENAME Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway!

Fairfax County Resident

Jueren Zhou

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FW: changing names

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Claire <claire4344va@verizon.net>

Thu 11/4/2021 5:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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P.S. I forgot to identify myself. I am Claire A. Alfano, 3218 Cambridge Court, Fairfax 22030-1912

Also, I am 78 years old and I have lived on Cambridge Court since February 1972, that's almost 50 years. Everything is fine, leave well enough alone. As the saying goes "if it ain't broke, don't fix it"!

Thank you.

Claire Alfano

From: Claire <claire4344va@verizon.net>

Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:29 AM

To: 'DOTConfederateNamesTaskForce@fairfaxcounty.gov'
<DOTConfederateNamesTaskForce@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: changing names

I wrote in your survey:

"Stop changing names just because the names refer to the Civil War! The Civil War is part of our history, especially here in Fairfax. Do NOT take away our history!

By changing the names, you would be erasing our history. Our history is important to this area. Do NOT take that away."

Are you going to change EVERY name that has a connection to the Civil War? What about Plantation Parkway, because slaves lived on 'plantations'. What about the Mosby Woods development, because John Mosby was a Confederate lawyer? What about the names of most of the streets in the Mosby Woods development: Blue Coat Drive, Cavalry Drive, Ranger Road, Raider Lane? Are you going to change all of those names also?

I see that you've already changed Rebel Run (by Ffx. H.S.). You also changed the name of Mosby Woods Elementary. What about all the 'markers', the plaques, in the area that mark where certain battles took place? Will you be removing those also? Or the many Civil War era buildings in the area? Will you be tearing those down? When will it end?

As I said above, you can't change history by changing names. Do NOT erase our history. History is important to all of us. We should learn from it, not erase it.

Re-naming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

PA

Paul & Nancy Allard <pn.allard@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 3:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I appreciate the desire on the part of many to end the practice of naming buildings, streets, and geographic areas after dead white men who fought for the Confederacy or who owned slaves. I don't think their names should be erased completely, however, because they were a part of our shared history. Their names help to explain why Virginia has the history it does.

Decisions on renaming should be based on (1) how many other places the individual is recognized by being the named ___(street, school, etc) and (2) how much taxpayer money is involved in making the change at this time - is there a more pressing need to allocate that money to something that would do more good for the citizens.

Thank you,

Nancy Allard
7406 Spring Village Dr. Aot. 514
Springfield VA 22150

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Name change RT. 29 & 50

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Thu 11/4/2021 6:34 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 2:32 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Name change RT. 29 & 50

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Message

This is typical PC Bullshit that makes Fairfax County look like a bunch of Donkey ass's. How much money went into this asinine proposal already? And how much will this Cost Taxpayers for you to implement this? Millions to what end? Raise our taxes again for this march to Socialism. This election is proof Virginians do not want the bloated bureaucracy of Fairfax County wasting our hard earned money. BLM should not be running Fairfax County.

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Renaming Rt 20 & Rt 50

DA

Dolores Anderson <adspecu@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 8:34 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Keep current names. (you need a shorter email address).

Dolores Anderson 703-620-2032

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming of Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:44 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming of Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

Tom Bash (not verified) (tombash@verizon.net) sent a message using the contact form at

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Message

I just responded to your survey.

How soon after November 12 will survey results be released to the public -- NOT just percentage approving/disapproving but details of the perceived impact of these changes on survey respondents?

If renaming is approved, how much will it cost the Fairfax County taxpayer to implement (materiel and labor) these signage changes?

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Renaming streets in Fairfax county

LB

Lynda Brittain <brittain@cox.net>

Thu 11/4/2021 4:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Celebrating Zion's birthday

Today, we're celebrating the 102nd anniversary of
aka.ms

Do not change these names. Their contributions to our country were too important. A stupid process.

Lynda Brittain

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FW: Confederate Names Task Force

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OPA 703Fairfax

Thu 11/4/2021 7:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Good afternoon,

This email was in the OPA email box. Would you please reply to the constituent and cc OPA?

Thanks,
Carmen



From: Jccountry1@gmail.com <Jccountry1@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:54 AM

To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Confederate Names Task Force

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Message:No! We should not be renaming Route 29 & 50! What a complete waste of money, not to mention how much it's going to cost small business to change their address on everything they have it on. No more changing history .

Submitted By: Jennifer Buchanan

Telephone: 703-314-6433

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Ryan 29 Rt50 names

J **jshullcrna (null) <jshullcrna@aol.com>**

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I feel that people are trying to erase our history. I obviously do not approve of slavery, I have never owned slaves and I don't believe there is anyone alive who suffered under slavery.

In many parts of the world slavery still exist.

Are we trading/ visiting these countries? Why are they not placed on a Do Not visit list.

If we erase / forget our history, we stand the risk of repeating the same mistakes.

If I feel offended by the Martin Luther King memorial can it be removed, can we change names of all the Martin Luther King roads?

I just feel we are doing ourselves a great disservice these days.

If Black Lives Matter why is it the majority of homicides are black on black?

All lives matter!

Thank you for reading(I hope) my comments.

Judith S. Carter

Vienna,Va

Sent from my iPhone

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Confederate Names Task Force

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Thu 11/4/2021 4:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 12:15 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Confederate Names Task Force

Dale Peter Cazier (not verified) (cazierdp2@yahoo.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Fconfederate_names_task_force&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7Cc7cd7c9f5f214ef955cd08d99fb01a8f%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637716400965276380%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikl1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=qs5zdAOeNagiaeaCXXQEH a3ShsaD8skaMeg%2BbAOEU4k%3D&reserved=0.

Message

I am appalled and horrified that Fairfax County would consider changing the names of highways named after our great historic figures. These names are and will always be part of the history of Virginia. Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson loved their commonwealth. General Lee fought in the United States Army in the war with Mexico and was offered command of the Union Army, but his heart belonged to Virginia. After the war he helped establish a university.

This entire political mob effort is reminiscent of the Soviet Union tearing out pages of history books. Heroes one day, then suddenly they are villains, all because of the power of the state. Don't be deceived by those who claim that only Confederate heroes must be forgotten, for that is only the

beginning. Soon the mob will be trying to erase George Washington and Thomas Jefferson (That's right, it's already started). The next villains will be President John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr.

Let's get right to the ultimate goal of the mob, which is to wipe out your memory of the United States, and the Commonwealth of Virginia. Welcome to George Orwell's 1984.

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming Virginia Highways

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 1:50 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Renaming Virginia Highways

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Message

Changing the names of highways named after our worthy historic figures in Fairfax County is unfathomable. Robert E. Lee and Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson fought for the freedom of all Virginians in the Battle of Chancellorsville, Battle of Fredericksburg and the First Battle of Bull Run. To rename these highways is to obliterate the history of Virginia and the USA from future generations. Robert E. Lee once said "A nation which does not remember what it was yesterday does not know where it is today".

This reminds me of George Orwell's book "Animal Farm" which explains how propaganda is used to control people. Orwell portrays the manipulation of the animals through common propaganda techniques using songs, catchphrases and ever-changing information.

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Comments on change road name of route 29 and route 50

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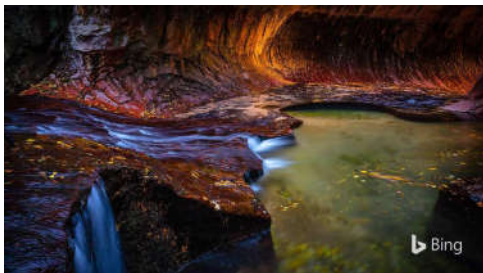
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changing names

C

Claire <claire4344va@verizon.net>

Thu 11/4/2021 3:28 PM

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I wrote in your survey:

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By changing the names, you would be erasing our history. Our history is important to this area. Do NOT take that away.”

Are you going to change EVERY name that has a connection to the Civil War? What about Plantation Parkway, because slaves lived on ‘plantations’. What about the Mosby Woods development, because John Mosby was a Confederate lawyer? What about the names of most of the streets in the Mosby Woods development: Blue Coat Drive, Cavalry Drive, Ranger Road, Raider Lane? Are you going to change all of those names also?

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As I said above, you can’t change history by changing names. Do NOT erase our history. History is important to all of us. We should learn from it, not erase it.

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Rename Lee Highway

SC

Stephanie Colestock <stephanie.colestock@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 9:18 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

While I can potentially understand the driving force behind the renaming of various roads and schools in our northern VA area, I want to know where it ends. Where do we stop rewriting history (especially if it comes at the expense of tens of millions of taxpayer dollars) and start simply adding educational resources to our schools? Why don't we use these road and schools and memorials as teachable moments, rather than trying to erase the rich history (good and bad) that this area holds?

On that note, I am all for renaming Lee Highway... *if*, and only if, we also rename the city and county of Fairfax. After all, Lord Thomas Fairfax — our area's namesake — was a wealthy land and slave owner who enslaved nearly 100 individuals at the time of his death, and countless others throughout the course of his life.

Best,
Stephanie Colestock

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Pete Conklin <conklinps@aol.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 1:41 PM

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Please do not destroy history by making name changes.

Peter L. Conklin
8508 Wild Spruce Drive
Springfield, VA 22153-1800

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Lee Highway renaming

SD

Susan Divjak <susandivjak@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 2:05 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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NO - surely there are more important issues to spend our hardearned tax money on for example

-helping families with food insecurity

-making sure bus stops get shoveled during snowstorms rather than forcing riders to risk life and limb standing in the street

-actually teaching who Lee and Jackson were in our schools - what was good and bad about them

-I bet that a large number of drivers who use Route 50 have no idea who Lee/Jackson were, they just want to get from point A to point B safely and in a timely manner

-make our streets safe, focus on what is important - take down the lee jackson signs if you must -call it Route 50 - dont waste time and money on new name competitions new signs etc.

with respect, Susan Divjak Reston Virginia

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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Lee Highway

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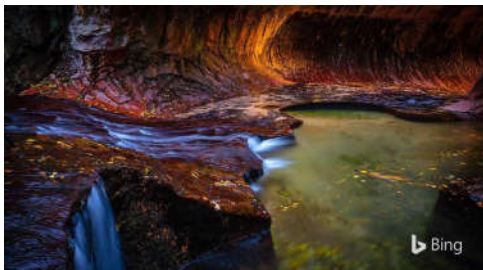
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Dear Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force,

I do not wish the renaming of Robert E. Lee Highway. I do not subscribe to cancel culture that any non-racial adult understands our history, the good, the bad, and ugly, has somehow given us the greatest nation on earth. We should preserve our history.

Thank you,
Frank and Lucie Francisco

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NO NAME CHANGE!!!

LG

linda gable <linda_gable@sbcglobal.net>

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I AM VERY MUCH AGAINST ANY NAME CHANGES FOR STREETS, SCHOOLS, BUILDINGS WITH
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Peter Gallagher <peter@petermgallagher.com>

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Subject: Change the Name Please

To: <dotconfederatenametaskforce@faurfaxcounty.gov>

In this day and age we have no rationale for memorializing and glorifying an individual who it has become very clear was actively pro-slavery at every stage of his life.

Please change the names of route 29 and route 50 to something more appropriate for the Virginia and the county of Fairfax.

Thank you,
Peter Gallagher
11829 Wayland St, Oakton, VA 22124

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Street Names

GG

Gary Gardell <ggardell1@aol.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 5:30 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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The names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should NOT be changed. That this is even being discussed is ridiculous and a total waste of time, energy and money! There are so many bigger, serious problems with the state and country now that should be addressed first. Our priorities are skewed.

A great many people don't even know who the current president and vice president are or which countries fought in 20th century wars. I'm equally sure that a great many people have no idea who these roads were named after or why. It seems as though we're looking for solutions to problems that don't exist.

Please keep the roads' names and look for more important, pressing issues to spend time, energy and taxpayer money on.

Gary Gardell
Reston, VA

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Message

No, those roads should not be renamed. We can't redo the bad part of our past by renaming.

Where would it end? That would mean renaming things like the Washington Monument and Washington DC.

We have to accept history as it was , and try to do better in present times and in the future.

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Oppose renaming Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Hwy

KH

Karen Hammond <karen@hammondagency.com>

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Definitely Oppose this

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Do not change, this is ridiculous, extremely costly and time consuming. We have so much congestion all over, why add another project to add to the mess already. The cost of the signage alone is not necessary. Also... why? Are we not allowed to remember our history? I say NO

Regards,
Ann

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Route 29 and Route 50

JH

Judith Hardesty <judysback4good@msn.com>

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Please don't change the name of Route 29 and Route 50. Let them stay and avoid the expense. When I travel on Route 29 and Route 50, I don't even think of Robert E. Lee and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. They are simply Lee Highway and Route 50.

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I am for leaving both highway names Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. No to a proposed name change.

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proposed name change for highways

S

sofia.maria.hernandez <sofia.maria.hernandez@protonmail.com>

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I am writing on my behalf and the behalf of others in the Latino community when I say that your proposed name change is horrible, and is helping to convince Latinos to avoid the Democrat party. I understand that most of the board members starting up this proposal are Democrats.

You in the Fairfax County government often assume that Latinos are illiterate and stupid, but I assure you we are not. You think you can distract us with an expensive name change instead of dealing with real concerns, such as the widespread discrimination by Fairfax County government and the high tax rates that cripple our people.

Many are switching to the Republican party because of invented non-issues such as this street name change. If you want Democrats to keep losing, keep wasting tax money on nonexistent issues like this.

By the way, in order to prove we are not stupid, I will tell you that we know the Democrat party is the party of the slaveowners, the party of the Ku Klux Klan, and the party of the breakup of Black families with the "War on Poverty." You are not fooling anyone.

So, stay racist. Stay treating Latinos as though we are stupid, and just see what happens.

Sofia Maria Hernandez

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Proposed renaming of Routes 29 and 50

JH

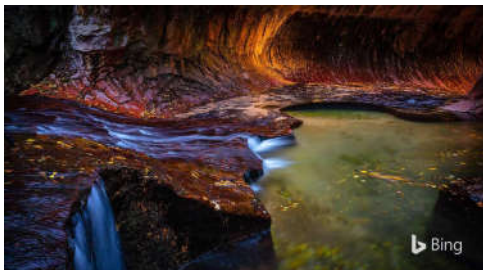
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To The members of the Confederate Names Task Force,

I am opposed to the renaming of Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50). These historic names can help serve as a reminder of the Civil War and help to educate the public of the circumstances at that time in history. Renaming the routes will not erase the past. To discredit two proud Virginians who were a product of the times in which they were born is not the answer to solving race relations.

Thank you,
Barbara Joyce Hill
5712 Smoke Rise Lane
Fairfax Station, VA 22039

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29 and 50 name change

RH

Ruth Holmberg <radholmberg@gmail.com>

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Sir/Madam,

I do NOT agree that the road names should be changed. There are too many other priorities for our limited tax dollars.

History is history- if we erase it we are doomed to repeat the mistakes of the past.

Ruth Holmberg

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Lee-Jackson Hwy name change

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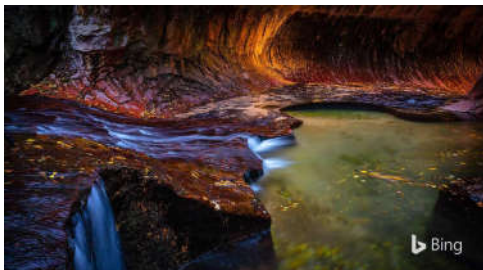
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Lee Highway (Route 50) and Lee-Jackson Highway (Route 29) SHOULD NOT be renamed.
Thank you.

Anne Formby Hutton
Fairfax VA resident

"God is raising up His heroes and when they appear, the world will wonder where they came from." ~ C.S. Lewis

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Renaming Route 29 and Route 50

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NJ

Nikki Johnson <nikkilynnva@gmail.com>

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This renaming is ridiculous!

History is the story of people that came before us and Confederates are part of our history.

Some good guys on both sides and some not-so-good.

I'm an original Yankee but see no problem with names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway!

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DO NOT Rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway in Fairfax County

DJ

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Hello,

DO NOT - DO NOT - DO NOT Rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway in Fairfax County.

It is a waste of money and an ill advised task. The money to do this can be used in a much more beneficial way for Fairfax. There are more pressing issues.

All this Cancel Culture is ludicrous. You can't erase our history and it's our history that has gotten us to where we are today.

Again, DO NOT Rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway in Fairfax County.

Thanks.

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This is so stupid

LJ

Lee Jones <bigkatlee@yahoo.com>

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What a waste of taxpayer time and money. This is a part of our history. Deal with it. Changing the names won't change the history. I have lived here my entire 56 years and I have never heard anyone complain about them. It's woke cancel culture run amok.

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Route 29 and 50

AK

Alexandrea Koehler <alexandrea.koehler@gmail.com>

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Hi there,

I don't have any good suggestions for what to change the road names too, but I fully support the change from a confederate. Fairfax Count is so diverse, we should honor that with the name change. Perhaps some way to honor Asian, Muslim, Latino or Native Americans in our community. Thank you for taking this project on!

Sincerely,

Alexandrea Koehler

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support regarding name change for Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Hwy

TL

Tomvis Libry <tvislbrary@hotmail.com>

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I moved to Fairfax County four decades ago from western New York State. Early on I was puzzled by the conflict that Arlington Blvd also had the Lee name. But I did not at that time know to associate the Lee name with Robert E. Lee.

I was more aware when seeing the combined Lee-Jackson name. It did bother me that this seemed to enhance the possibility of conflict between North and South consciousness among a population that was constantly growing by many others like me who arrived from widely various other parts of the country. My own neighborhood has long been filled with people who did not grow up in this county, or even this state.

My travels back and forth to my former home took me right past Gettysburg, Pa., a Civil War focal point. I became interested in reading to learn more about the events of the Civil War, and I am respectful of its seriousness. But it has also been unsettling to see the highway name seems meant to glorify and perpetuate that unfortunate piece of US History.

Tom Vis
Reston, VA

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Renaming of Highways

DL

Dan Linder <dano171@verizon.net>

Thu 11/4/2021 4:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I vote NO to renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Robert E Lee and Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson were historical figures in America and that’s something we can’t and should not try to hide from future generations.

Thank you,

Dan R.Linder
Herndon, VA

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names of Lee Highway (U.S. Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (U.S. Route 50)

GL

Greg Litvak <greg.litvak@devtechnology.com>

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Hi ,

In my opinion, that names should not be renamed, and that funds can be allocated to add more bike routs and make Fairfax more bike friendly city.

Sincerely,
Greg Litvak

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Renaming two roads in Fairfax

SL

Scott Loomis <sloomistr@gmail.com>

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To whom it may concern - My view is that one of the two should be renamed: I would rename Lee-Jackson Highway given that it clearly is inspired by the two confederate generals. I would keep Lee Highway, as it could refer to Henry Lee, a revolutionary era name.

Scott Loomis

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Scott Loomis

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YES - rename Route 29 and Route 50, please!!!!

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Change the names

AL

Alex J. Lord <ajlord85@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 1:43 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Confederate history IS the history of secession and slaveholding. While it is Virginia's history, that history should be taught, not memorialized. Changing the names is not erasure of history, it's choosing not to memorialize individuals who, if they had won, would not be part of America and regardless, advocated for slavery.

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



She sent 3 of these exact same emails. I'm deleting the other 2.

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Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 3:47 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

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Message

My answer is NO!! The money spent on replacing all the street signs can be better spent on more fruitful and needy requirements of the county.

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renaming roads

SM

stephanie malevich <stephmalevich@yahoo.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 4:08 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please do not rename any roads. History should not be erased or forgotten. History not remembered will repeat itself.

Thank you.

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Focus on other things

CM

Christine Mazur <mazur_christine@yahoo.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 1:30 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I just saw the flyer in the mail about the task force to change the names of Lee Highway and Rt. 50. Given that Democrats just lost the Governorship for the state of VA I felt the need to say something. STOP with this nonsense right now! I am a democrat, and the county and state money would be much better focused on SOLVING PROBLEMS that impact people rather than changing the names of roads, buildings, and schools. This focus is what just lost Democrats the election and what is going to lead to a reversal of REAL PROGRESS that our state has made over the past 10 years.

Please just leave the names alone for now....If there was a huge budget surplus and we had "fun money" to play around with, sure...but that is NOT THE CASE and our efforts and money would be much better focused on mitigation strategies to get through this pandemic and money to schools to help the children that have been negatively impacted from the learning loss - including my 3 children.

Fairfax County is a great county with good leadership and is doing great things - make sure the focus (especially in the media) is on the right things.

[I urge you to please consider this as part of your decision making process.](#)

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Name change for Highways

NM

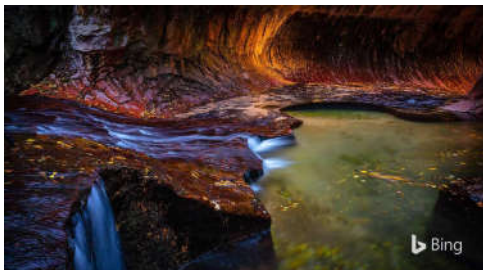
Norma McMorrow <normamcmorrow@me.com>

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My name is Norma McMorrow,
I DO NOT want the names of the highways changed. If the task force is determined to change them, they should not be changed to a person. They should just be a numbered road or a location.
Thanks for letting me have input.

Sent from my iPad

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NM

Nora Missell <nmissell@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 4:30 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I vote to not change the names on Route 29 and Route 50. I could not get through online. Anyway, enough is enough. The schools, roads, etc being changed is ridiculous. Like it or not, it's history.

Nora Missell

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Don't Rename Lee and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

MM

Max Morrison <maxm5@vt.edu>

Thu 11/4/2021 3:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Do not rename Lee and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. It dedicates county resources to an unimportant issue when there are far more pressing problems facing our country. It also negates Virginia history.

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Respectfully,

Max Morrison

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Renaming highways

KG

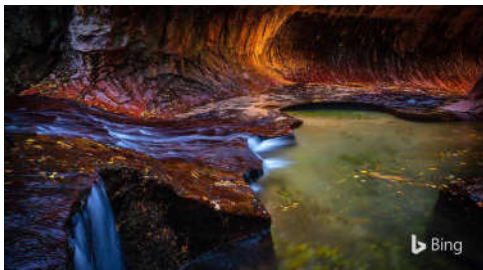
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Dear Task Force,

By all means, rename these highways. I have lived here for 74 years, and I won't mind a bit to let these outdated names go.

These names were appropriate in the 1860's, but they cause pain now.

Surely there are people to honor who will uplift everyone. Use your intellect and imagination. OR call them something lyrical that will please everyone, related to the land, state, nature.

Sincerely,
Kim Nelson
Reston, VA

Sent from my iPad

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Lee and Lee-Jackson Highways Name Change

D

dcted@juno.com

Thu 11/4/2021 4:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I do not agree with changing the Lee highways name.

"History is not there for you to like or dislike. It is there for you to learn from it.
If it offends you, even better, because then you are less likely to repeat it.
It is not yours to erase. It belongs to all of us."

Kathy Oliver

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Renaming Lee-Jackson Hwy

RO

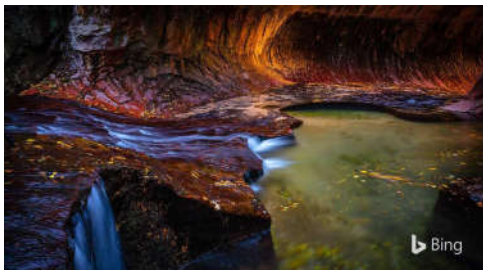
robert orlosky <orlo2@verizon.net>

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I oppose any renaming of Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy(rte 50)!

Bob Orlosky
11604 Havenner Rd
FFX Sta VA 22039
(703) 250-5259

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Message

Absolutely not!

When will this stop! One day someone will say I don't like the SATUE OF LIBERTY. I had a bottle of French Wine it wasn't to my liking. Lets take it down.

SOLVE REAL PROBLEMS!

George Palchus

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Renaming Rt 29

DP

Daria Parrell <dtparrell@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 8:38 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Do NOT rename Lee/Jackson Highway.

I like and embrace our history...all of it.

You learn from the past and forge a future without erasing the past.

Daria Parrell

Fairfax, Virginia

Sent from my iPhone

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Leave the Names Alone

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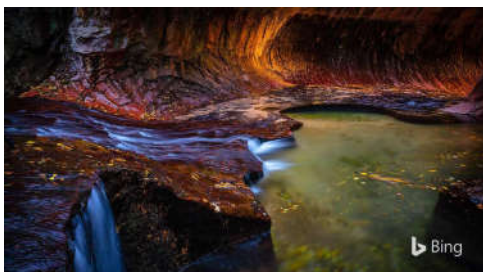
Allen Partlow <adp0930@aol.com>

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NO. Don't change the street or other names of our honored and great forefathers. These men made a mark for our great state. And they represent others who fought and died to preserve the rights we all now have. As such it is bigoted and Racist to disassemble and desecrate the commemoration of those who died in service to their rightful duty and the families who remember them and still exist. The Confederacy was not a sin. The sin of slavery rest more on the United States than on the South. But be that as it may, Robert E. Lee and the great Generals and men like him did more for this Nation and Virginia before they were 30 years old, than all of their detractors put together will ever do. Only the vile and evil thoughts of the Democrat party, the race hatred it promotes, and it's use of such could propose having a "Task Force" dedicated to dismantling history and dishonoring the honorable. I hope the trend of defeating them in Virginia continues so that we can rid ourselves of these evil Racist Democrats and promote learning and brotherhood amongst all our citizens; understanding, honoring, and learning from our collective history.

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Lee HW and Lee-Jackson Mem. Hw

JP

Joe Pimenta <joe.pimenta2@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 5:54 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please DO NOT change the names of these highways. The county has more pressing problems than this. This fiasco will be a financial burden to merchants and small businesses along the highway and to the tax payers. Enough is enough!

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Renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

GP

Gloria Pinger <gloriapinger@verizon.net>

Thu 11/4/2021 5:33 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Gloria Pinger <gloriapinger@verizon.net>

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NO, PLEASE DO **NOT** RENAME Lee Highway (Route 29) or Lee-Jackson Highway (Route 50). History will not be changed by changing the names of these highways or any other highway or school.

Thank you for listening.

Gloria Pinger

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renaming our roads

JR

John R <mrpacket@hotmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 7:40 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Hello,

I just received your mail about renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Given the name of your task force, the highways under question and the renaming of J.E.B Stuart High School I presume this is to further remove names which some find offensive. If this is what the majority wants, then I have no problem with it. But perhaps we should start the renaming with the oldest and most egregious offender of human rights.

From https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas_Fairfax,_6th_Lord_Fairfax_of_Cameron

*"**Thomas Fairfax, 6th Lord Fairfax of Cameron** (22 October 1693 – 9 December 1781) was a Scottish peer. He was the son of [Thomas Fairfax, 5th Lord Fairfax of Cameron](#), and Catherine Colepeper, daughter of [Thomas Colepeper, 2nd Baron Colepeper](#).*

*The only resident [peer](#) in late [colonial America](#), Fairfax administered his vast [Northern Neck Proprietary](#) — a [Virginia land grant](#) dating back to 1649 — from his wilderness estate at [Greenway Court, Virginia](#). **He bought and sold enslaved Africans and derived much of his income from the labor of several hundred slaves on some 30 farms.**^[1]*

*Various place names in [Northern Virginia](#) and the [Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia](#) are **named for him—most notably [Fairfax County, Virginia](#)**, and the independent [City of Fairfax](#)."*

Also, I have a question. Why do you have translations of your proposal in Spanish and Korean? Only legal American citizens should be voting on this issue and all immigrant citizens are required to show proficiency of English during their citizenship test. Printing this in English should be sufficient.

Sincerely,

John Ramsay

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Name changes

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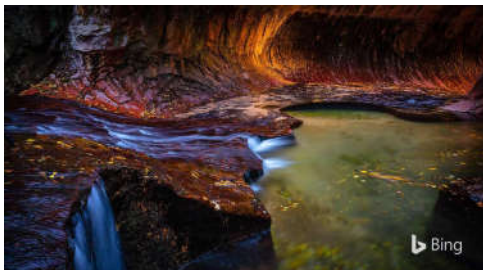
Nancy Randall <nancyrandall284@gmail.com>

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Do not change street names.
Too confusing

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Keep the Names

SR

Steven Rank <stever123@verizon.net>

Thu 11/4/2021 5:53 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thank you for inviting comment.

Keep the names.

My view is that by objective standards, these names recall great soldiers, beloved of their soldiers and their citizenry, soldiers who set the standard for military excellence. Remembering that the Civil war's core issue was states' rights within a Federal system, there is no reason to strike them from either the popular discourse, or the record of history. Other free countries don't revise public names to conform to one party's narrow views. For example in France and elsewhere, some considered Napoleon the antiChrist, yet his name dominates Paris to this day.

Also, many slaves and former slaves adopted these names and to degrade these names may harm the self esteem of the descendants of these people.

Therefore, leaving these names in place will encourage people to notice them, investigate them, and study them, learning the errors or negatives as well as the positives associated with them. We don't learn history by eliminating it. And we invite ignoring history's lessons when we only report part of the facts.

Steven Rank
LTC US Army Retired
Reston
West Point CI of 1970

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Renaming Highways

JR

Joseph Roberts <joseph-roberts@cox.net>

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The sender DOES NOT agree that renaming either the Lee Highway or the Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway are projects worthy of the expenditure of time, talent, effort, or money that doing so would entail. Counter the counter culture instead.

J.B. Roberts, Jr.

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Message

I agree that the confederate named roads and buildings in Fairfax County and in all counties in Virginia should be renamed to something unrelated to the Civil War.

The South lost the Civil War and I do not know of another LOSER in the history of the world that has been allowed to name roads, buildings and otherwise praise the leaders of the lost side. It has contributed to the continuation of anger in the South about their loss over 155 years ago.

That's a lot of hatred.

It has seemed absurd to me since I moved here in 1983.

Lee was not a war hero. None of the Civil War Generals on the Rebel side were heroes.....

Stonewall Jackson. John Mosbey. Picket. etc.

We could call it Loser Lee Highway. Or Lee's Retreat Highway. At least let people know the history as they name the street.

Or how about renaming it Li Highway. The Chinese are in these days.

How about mRNA Highway? Vaccine Highway? Lincoln Highway? G W Carver Highway? Rosa Highway? Northern Highway? Fairfax Highway? Anything but the Civil War Losers.

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Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

GR

Gerald Roxbury <gcroxbury53@comcast.net>

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Fairfax County Department of Transportation,

Please do not rename any of these routes. We have already lost too much of our history.

Gerald Roxbury

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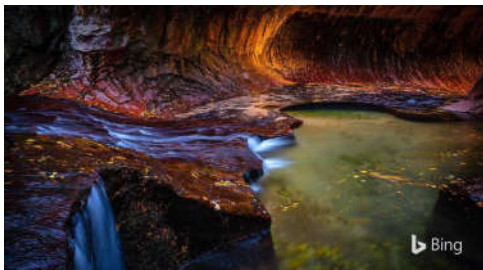
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My wife, my son John, and I are all residents and voters in Virginia. We are all strongly in favor of removing the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. These men were slave holders and fought to preserve slavery. In doing this, they caused incredible death of Union and Confederate soldiers and destruction of property from Pennsylvania to Texas and beyond.

We would welcome the naming of these highways after Union government and military officers, leaders in the anti-slavery fight or in the civil rights movement, such as Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, The Reverend Martin Luther King, or Congressman John Lewis.

Sincerely yours,

Guy, Judy and John Sapienza
1514 Powells Tavern Place
Herndon VA 20170
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Please stop wasting our time and resources for these name changing nonsense!!!

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Possible change of names

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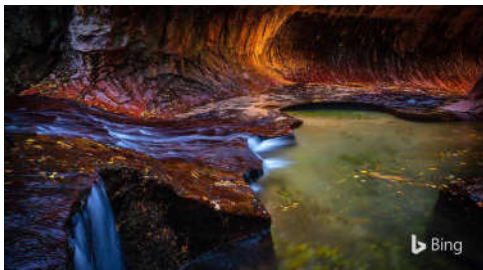
Anne Terio <terioanne@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 7:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Celebrating Zion's birthday

Today, we're celebrating the 102nd anniversary of aka.ms

I am a history enthusiast and you cannot change history. I think it is not necessary to wipe out all names that are from history just because they had slaves. Most were good men who did great things for this country. Use of the slave trade was common in the South and most did not want to keep slaves. They would have liked to pay them as freemen, but they could not economically afford to do this.

I am against this also because of the huge expense of changing signs, gps, maps etc It is an unnecessary expense in a time of inflation. Thank you for listening to me. Anne Terio

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LEE HIGHWAY (Rt 29) & Lee-Jackson Highway (Rt 50)

BT

Brian Turner <bkt1965@yahoo.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 8:42 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force,

What are we afraid of? These two great men served two nations. The miles of Virginia highways marked with signage allows you to find Confederate and Revolutionary War remembrances everywhere. Virginia has the many roads to explore. Renaming our highways will be confusing, a waste of state funding and really ridiculous. Who are we to judge them? A 156 years ago we fought, we divided and we reunited. Robert E. Lee and Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson did not start a war, they were Virginians just like George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, and Fairfax County's own George Mason just to name a few. When will this insanity stop?

Brian Turner

Germanna Colony Descendant 1714 & 1717

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stop erasing our history

PU

Peter Upton <pupton@yahoo.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 9:04 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I like Confederate names. I am not ashamed of that fact. The confederacy is a part of our history and Virginians should be proud of our history. Erasing history doesn't serve any purpose but to separate people from it. It won't undo slavery, or the oppression of people by their government.

LEAVE THE NAMES ALONE!

Peter Upton
Fairfax County

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FW: Please stop the ridiculous name changing movement

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OPA 703Fairfax

Thu 11/4/2021 7:11 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Subject: Please stop the ridiculous name changing movement

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Message: This is reaching a ridiculous point in US and human history. Is George Washington monument, Thomas Jefferson Memorial next on your list? A total waste of tax payers money! Please consider using the taxpayers money wisely, run the government of the people, by the people and for the people.

Submitted By: Li Wang

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Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway: Don't do it.

DW

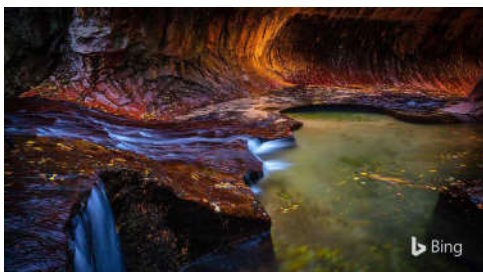
Dave WILSON <maryndavew7705@gmail.com>

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This seems like a great waste of time and money and energy Here is why:

Resignage will cost tax payer dollars. Lots of them.

Lee Highway already has a lovely alternate name, 29th Division Hwy.

Everyone will still call it Lee Highway. Just go to Arlington and ask anyone where Langston Blvd is.

If it is renamed, how can we be sure that person (Langston or Herrity or Biden) will not someday fall out of favor and another renaming be demanded.

General Lee was a very good and honorable man. Virginia should be proud of him.

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RZ

Rui Zhang <hustlnmit@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 7:22 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I can't agree more to this opinion - "Please don't waste my tax dollar on this ridiculous task when there are many other places that urgently need money! Additionally changing historical names will destroy US history and culture! Let me make an analogy. A very successful and well-respected man has some bad youth years. He does not hide nor destroy his pictures taken in those bad years. Instead, he shows those pictures to his children and guests from time to time and shares the lessons that he learned from those years. Please keep and protect the precious history! If there is any pain, it should be healed in the heart, not by destroying external substances! It is a very childish behavior. We ought to be more mature than that."

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About Lee highway renaming

JZ

Jonathan Zhu <zhuchu@gmail.com>

Thu 11/4/2021 5:50 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Name change

JA

jason annitto <annitto2011@gmail.com>

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I agree the names should be changed and no confederate officials or generals names should be used.

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DOT Info

Fri 11/5/2021 12:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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I don't think they should be changed

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Change the names

SB

Sam Blazek <sam.blazek@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 3:55 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thank you very much for offering taxpayers in the county an opportunity to provide feedback. I feel it is in honor of the bright and admirable figures of American history and their hard work, often against the tides of their times, to name that practical but typically slightly congested stretch of road (Lee Hwy) after the abolitionist figure and first Virginia representative of color John Langston, a Virginian whom I never had the pleasure of learning about in my history classes growing up, but who I find to be a terrific inspiration now that I do know of him.

Thank you,

Sam Blazek
22046

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Confederate names on Virginia highways

Fri 11/5/2021 1:38 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: 'Teresa & John' <cheznous1@cox.net>

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To All Whom It May Concern:

I'm an honorably discharged veteran of the United States Navy. Like General Lee, I took an oath to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America. Unlike General Lee, I kept my pledge; and this succinctly expresses my idea of honor and integrity. The Confederate Generals were, to a man, traitors to their country. They do not deserve to be honored, now or ever. The Old Dominion can certainly find more fitting individuals to recognize, men and women who chose to honor sacred obligations, freely undertaken.

And since you've invited public comment, let me add this, as well.

The motto of Virginia—"Sic Semper Tyrannus" - "*Ever Thus to Tyrants*"—is the very same phrase shouted from the stage of Ford's Theater, by John Wilkes Booth, the night he murdered President Abraham Lincoln. Not to put too fine a point on it, Booth undoubtedly selected this phrase because he *knew precisely how it would be interpreted*: "this is payback from Virginia." And so, to distance itself from Booth, and like-minded rebels, it's not too late for the Old Dominion to *adopt a new motto and strike the offensive words from the Commonwealth's flag*.

Very respectfully,

John F. Del Campo, CDR, USNR-Ret
3150 Juniper Lane
Falls Church, VA 22044
Tel. 703-538-4272

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RENAMING

Judy and Carmine Carosella <judyandcarmine@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 11:59 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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NO, NO, NO. Leave the present names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

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Subject: Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

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Message: I am absolutely in favor of changing the names of both highways as Robert Lee and "Stonewall" Jackson represent the worse in terms of defending the preservation of slavery. Robert Lee led the South to the carnage of more than 500,000 souls.

Submitted By: Raymond Cohen

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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Message

I am TOTALLY OPPOSED to changing the names of Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50). It's ABSOLUTELY ridiculous that you are even considering doing this.

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Lee Hwy

LC

Linda Cummings <ldcummings@msn.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 2:34 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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If the name of Lee Hwy will be changed, I think it should be Langston Blvd as has already been done in Arlington County. It is the same continuous road and this will keep things simple. John Langston holds a positive position in VA history and is deserving of this honor.

Linda Cummings

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Confederate Names

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DAG <dag_dag@juno.com>

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Do not change the Confederate street names.

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Lee Highway Name Change

MD

Michael Davenport <michael.ldavenport344@yahoo.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 5:06 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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All,

Rather than waste your time changing the name of Lee Highway, why don't you spend your time on a beautification project by picking up the litter on the both sides of the road and the median. This beautification project would benefit the whole community, and is appropriate with your talents.

Take the funding required to make the change and fund a course to detoxify yourselves from your insulting wokeness.

In short. Stop trying to change our historical land marks.

Michael Davenport

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Taking Lee off Highways

AD

Andy Dykes <adykes@me.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 1:49 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please rename these roads to discontinue honoring secessionists and fighters for slavery.

Thanks,

Andy Dykes

Falls Church, VA 22043

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Andy Dykes

Rocket Scientist

[Email: adykes@me.com](mailto:adykes@me.com)

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KF

Ken Feng <outlook_861397A1972AC160@outlook.com>

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Keep the name and safe the money for other new signage. How much money and confusion will be caused by the unnecessary name change?

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Input on Change of names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson/Technical input on property descriptions

even though the cause he fought for cannot ever be. Even during the war, Rommel was respected by his opponents (as were Lee and Jackson in their time). Interestingly, Germany's top U-boat commander during World War 2 later became an admiral in the West German Navy, and worked for NATO. At NATO, he worked alongside some of the men who he tried to sink and who tried to sink him. True, there are some who can never be "rehabilitated" – to my knowledge, no Waffen SS (the combat arm of the SS) leader is held in high regard today, and we would not honor Nathan Bedford Forest for the same reason – but no streets in our area are named for him.

4. Given the Civil War theme, the proposed change goes totally against the spirit voiced by Lincoln in his Second Inaugural – "with malice toward none and charity toward all". If you look at civil wars in other parts of the world, they tend to drag on for a very long time (former Yugoslavia case in point), and leave historic bitterness that lasts even longer. Lincoln had a better idea for how to end our civil war. Unfortunately, he did not live long enough to effectuate his vision. I am willing to bet that the majority of people in Fairfax County don't have a strong feeling one way or the other, but would not want personal cost or inconvenience for something they don't care deeply about, some people are offended by the road names, and others either would be offended at the change, or see it as nothing more than political correctness. Changing road names will tend to exacerbate divisions in our society, not heal them. There are commentaries that changing the road names is a way to promote racial healing. I suggest that racial healing can come about regardless of road names, but if people perceive that powers that be change the names because they can, it will more likely promote a sense of grievance than a sense of healing.

Again thank you for consideration of my views. If you have any questions about the foregoing, I can be reached at 703-790-1911.

Sincerely,

Andrew Golkow
Ashleigh Road, Fairfax, VA

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Renaming Lee Highway

MG

Michele Greet <mgreet@gmu.edu>

Fri 11/5/2021 2:34 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I would like to express my support for the renaming of Lee Highway. I find it offensive and disingenuous for a road to be named for a general who fought in a war to perpetuate the institution of slavery. In our family we simple use the route number for that reason. It would be an important anti-racist statement to rename the road for a more appropriate and deserving figure.

Michele Greet, Fairfax City resident

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New Name for Lee Highway

LK

Lisa Katzman <lisajillkatzman@gmail.com>

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I am in favor of changing away from confederate names however what is the cost to small businesses, some of them minority owned with Leigh in the name of signs and materials? All this must be balanced.

Thanks,
Lisa Katzman
Chantilly, VA

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Message:URL was dead ended. Would like to contact Barbara Glakas, Dranesville District and ask about this task force. Please have Barbara contact me: kratovil@his.com. I want to know why this thing has a 500+ page report and WHAT DID IT COST ME AS A FAIRFAX COUNTY TAX PAYER? Who is really complaining about the confederate named roads, etc. and does it really matter? Do you not have other important things to spend my tax dollars on? I am a small business (as is my husband) and it was a painful 2020 when YOU all shut down MY business. Does the name of a road really mean that much to you and millions of other Virginians? Really? And, what did it cost YOU?

Submitted By: Deborah Kratovil

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I am against renaming Route 29 and Route 50. Complete waste of money. You can't erase history.

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Route 50 and 29

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Daniel Lynch <dtlynch24@gmail.com>

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All you Woke Mother Fuckers had better go back to sleep. Better yet, leave my country. You have ruined our schools and now your are trying to erase History. Pathetic!! Thank God for Youngkin!!

Daniel Lynch
Born and raised in VA
What about you??

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Stop with this nonsense! Taxpayers don't want our money to be wasted on such foolishness! This is ridiculous! Taxpayers could care less about the radical ideology behind this task force. We care about the maintenance and safety of our roadways not what you all think of the names! Stop wasting our tax money!

M. Meyers

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Is it just me, or by tearing down our monuments and renaming our highways, are we erasing our history be it good or bad! Leave Lee Jackson Memorial Highway alone!

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Lee/Lee-Jackson Hwy Renaming

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It's obvious that it has already been decided to rename these highways, but I'll play the "public feedback" game.

Lee freed slaves that he inherited from his father. He joined the Confederacy to fight for his homeland.

While we're erasing history, let's rename Virginia – named in honor of Elizabeth I. After all, Elizabeth enabled England's start into the slave trade when she gave the OK for John Hawkins to capture Portugese slave ships. She then participated in the lucrative trade by giving Hawkins two ships to participate in the slave trade triangle. We have many cities and counties in Virginia named after British royalty during whose time England profited from slave trading. Wow! We could run woke for years ferreting out names of those who profited by permitting slave trading.

Oh Dear! Lord Fairfax owned almost 100 slaves and his name is everywhere. His family crest adorns county vehicles and is on the Fairfax County flag. Your email address contains his name.

How many millions of taxpayer dollars will you waste on this effort to hide us from the sins of the past?

Do as you wish.

Ralph Morris, born in Pennsylvania to families who never owned slaves.

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WHY ARE YOU TRYING TO REWRITE HISTORY OF THIS STATE?AND ASKING IN LANGUAGES TTHAT HAVE N O BEARING ON VA HISORY WHAT SO EVER!SO THAT BEING THE CASE ,MAYBE WE SHOULD NAME STREETS FORTHEM?HOW ABOUT HO CHI MINH TRAIL.IDI AMIN PARKWAY,JOSEPH STALIN AVE OR POL POT HWY!!THESE NAMES THEY PROBABLY KNOW AS WELL AS CONGRESS WOMEN FROM NY OR SENATOR FRM VERMONT WHO IDOLIZE THEM AS IT SEEMS YOU DO TO!!

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Routes 29 and 50



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Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County **SHOULD NOT** be renamed! They are reminders of American history and changing their names **SHOULD NOT** be a reminder of the toxic Cancel Culture we are currently enduring.

NO TO CHANGING HIGHWAY NAMES!!!

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Lee Highway/ Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway



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I strongly support LEAVING THE NAMES AS THEY ARE CURRENTLY.

Lee and Jackson were important figures in our State history and the history of the formation of our Union.

Stop changing names and tearing down statues — teach about them instead!

I believe strongly that removing names and other historic markers (such as statues) that are not considered “politically correct” denies our amazing fight to become a unified Union the many years ago and all that has happened since then to keep us growing as the United States.

Erin Shaffer

202 285-8339

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Do NOT rename Rt 29 and Rt 50!

KS

Kim Smith <ksmith913@live.com>

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Please do NOT rename Rt 29 and Rt 50! I am sick of the political correctness at the expense of history.

Praying Youngkin can make some much needed changes in this state!

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No to Renaming Lee Highway (RT 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (RT 50)

SS

Samuel Sorrells <samuel.chad.sorrells@gmail.com>

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Do you want to change the names to Joseph Stalin Highway or maybe Pol Pot Highway? What about Fidel Castro Road? What about the Gulag Expressway or Breadline Boulevard? What about Che Guevara Causeway? If you embrace Marxism so much, then why don't you go and embrace the full implications of socialism in my former home of Venezuela? LOL. I promise you that none of you would ever last five minutes there. Venezuela doesn't offer "safe spaces" for little boys with no upper body musculature who wear skinny jeans and neon-orange haired women who scream, "My body, my choice!"

The recent gubernatorial elections should have shown you geniuses that the people of this state are sick and tired of the Left's constant push for wokeism, cultural marxism, CRT, and in this instance, historical revision/eradication. Leave the names of the roads alone. Why don't you at least put it to a referendum? Oh, that's a dumb question. You know that you'll have a good chance of losing if you do that. Fairfax may be still blue, but it is definitely less blue as we the voters just turned on you and your archaic, intellectually bankrupt, globalist worldview by voting for Youngkin. I say again, leave the roads as they are.

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29/50 Road Names

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I am opposed to renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway to something different. My reason is that history is both good and bad and contains the names of persons who later generations find offensive. Judging people long dead by today's moral or political standards is not history. If we wish to eradicate the names of past offenders why not start with Thomas Fairfax,, well documented as a slave owner and slave trader. Keep the Lee and Jackson names and let them become a reminder of our history and a teaching point for our schools.

Regards,

Bob Speegle

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Name changes on roads

J **Judy <heyjude19@gmail.com>**

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I do not think these road's names, routes 29 and 50, should be changed. Virginia has HISTORY. Let's just leave them so younger generations can learn the history!

They are just roads. I think all this Confederate hysteria has gone too far but I am old and was born in Arlington and lived in Arlington and Fairfax my whole life. I like many older residents probably won't know where we are going if there are many road name changes. I know Arlington has changed Lee Highway already to Langston.

Judith Trelogan
Reston, Virginia

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My Vote is No

MW

Mary Alana Welch <mwelc004@gmail.com>

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This has gotten out of hand. As a third party voter I am tired of the partisan bickering over this and am not happy that my tax dollars are being used to fund this and yet yall can't even keep the metro running. Don't we have better things to do with our time, money, and energy? You're not going to make everyone happy. Changing it is just going to piss off the other half the populous who disagrees with the name change, only pissing those people off comes with a huge price tag.

The fact of the matter is, these people were a big part of our history. And covering it up doesn't change that.

Please redivert the resources going to this elsewhere where funding is needed more.

Typos and brevity courtesy of my iPhone

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I support the renaming of Lee Highway in Fairfax County

To the DOT Confederate Names Task Force:

My two reasons for supporting the re-naming of Lee Highway in Fairfax County are as follows:

First: Publicly honoring Robert E. Lee is a scandalous dishonor to the Union dead. I wonder what they would have thought about leaving home and paying the ultimate price, could they have known that the leader of the opposition would enjoy a comfortable retirement and receive honors on into the 21st century.

Second: As Superintendent of West Point at the time he resigned to fight the United States of America, Lee betrayed his sworn oath to defend the United States of America; ought it not to be borne in mind that his oath was given in the specific context of his superintendency of West Point?

The only other traitor to betray West Point was Benedict Arnold. I do not see how it can be construed otherwise, than that this puts Lee in a class of two: himself and Benedict Arnold.

Please waste no time divesting this significant highway in Fairfax County of the name of the grim reaper of the Union dead and a traitor whose name can fittingly be mentioned in the same breath as Benedict Arnold.

Yours truly,

Carol Ruth Axelrod
7423 Paxton Road
Falls Church, VA 22043

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Highway name change?

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hello,

I would like to ask why the heck you would change the name of a stupid highway? It's going to cost you over \$100k to change the highway's names. There's no point it's a waste of money. Changing the name of a highway won't change or erase history. I am 11 years old and you should know better. People pay tax for this?! It's a idiocitc idea,so don't be a chick by wasting over \$100k to change the stupid name of a highway. Taxes don't have to be wasted of stupid things like this, it can go towards build schools, artificail turf fields, etc. Hopefully you make the right decision.

Kylin Bai

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SB

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I feel that no names should be changed. Lee Hwy should stay the same. Lee Jackson Hwy should stay the same. Side streets should stay the same and schools should stay the same.

Steven Bartolotta

Fairfax, VA

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Route 29 and Route 50 Name Change

name. If Route 29 was actually named for Robert E. Lee, then change the name.

The same criteria is true for Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50). Was the origin of this name specifically for Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson? If it was, then change the name. If the name pre-dates both the Civil War and both of these people, then I am opposed to changing the name.

The same goes for Leesburg, Virginia. Leesburg was Leesburg long before Robert E. Lee was born. It already existed before the Civil War started and should not be changed.

As a family, the Lees of Virginia played important roles in colonial Virginia as well as in the founding of the infant United States of America.

Yes, in 1776, the Lees, Jefferson, Washington and many of the delegates from the southern states owned slaves. I don't condone them for that, nor do I exonerate them for it. We need to remember that if it weren't for those same southern delegates voting for independence in the Second Continental Congress of 1776, there would be NO United States of America today. We would still be a British colony.

Today, we still need to honor all of these delegates. After all, by signing the Declaration of Independence, these men were risking not only their own lives, but also the lives of their wives, children, and grandchildren. These men risked losing their homes, their businesses, and their fortunes. These men believed in this idea so much that they were willing to accept the consequences of their action for themselves and for posterity.

Elizabeth Beach

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Keep the names!

GB

Gray Blanton <grayblanton@hotmail.com>

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I drive these roads and I want them to stay the same names!!!

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I am in favor of renaming the streets

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changing names

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Yes I feel that the names of route 29 and route 50 are a thing of the past and the names should diffenatly be changed.

Robert E. Dinse

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Karen DiSandro
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Oakton, VA 22124

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black citizens and or endorse Jim Crow laws. I do not believe this to have been the case in these two instances.

Keeping the names reminds folks of Virginia's history and honors men, who I believe served their state well at the time, though the overall cause for which they fought – especially from today's perspective – was and is morally wrong.**

With respect to the two road names in question, it would seem the Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway designation has a better "historical claim" than Lee Highway since many civil war military actions were fought along that route (similar to the John Singleton Mosby's Highway along route 50). If the committee ultimately decides to rename these highways because of understandable deference to our black citizens, I would encourage the county to still erect historical markers along those routes where important historical civil war actions occurred.

In my view Confederate memorials in front of government buildings or judicial courts ought to be moved, unless (in rare instances) there is a direct historical connection worthy of note, such as the John Quincy Marr memorial. I think it was wrong to remove that memorial since it is my understanding this was roughly where Marr was killed in one of the earliest of skirmishes/raids of the civil war. I think it is also wrong to remove portraits from a gallery in state legislatures just because a man served the Confederacy if other past legislators are displayed. We should retain the historical where appropriate even while we remove the glorification of the "Lost Cause."

Steven A. Donlon

** While the extension of slavery in the territories was undoubtedly the driving underlying cause of the war, men in both north and south often viewed their primary duty and loyalty rested with their state. Those men, who resigned their military officer's commissions and followed their state's were not traitors. The military oaths they took to the United States had a history of duality, referring not only to the Union but also to the compact of individual sovereign states. Once a state voluntarily left that compact, the compact was logically dissolved and to these men they were no longer U.S. citizen bound. This is why later, after the war began, Radical Republicans pushed through a changed ("ironclad") oath (July 1862), specifically targeting those who followed their states, or had sympathies for the South. The issue of whether secession was legal or not was of course

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Total waste of money and pure stupidity! Changing names after decades is not erasing history. You can't erase a race of people based off if a few bad apples abd you can't change history. Period.

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Feedback

SF

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EG

Edward Glynn <glynnej12@gmail.com>

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To Whom It May Concern:

While I support the removal of Confederate Statues in Charlottesville and Richmond, I am OK with leaving Lee Highway in place as long as it doesn't say Robert E. Lee Highway. In my state of origin, Louisiana, statues of Robert E. Lee and other Confederate generals were removed, but the street name "Governor Nicholls" was retained. Francis T. Nicholls was a civil war colonel in the Confederacy who went on to become governor after the war. A university is also named after him. The university got rid of the civil war references, but kept the name.

Lee / Jackson Highway has a Civil War connection which may be offensive to some. I would suggest removing the Lee / Jackson designation in favor of plain old Route 50.

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Changing names

MG

Marsha Goodman <marshalynn_va@yahoo.com>

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Marsha Goodman

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Renaming roads

KG

Kristin Gorak <kristin@gorak.us>

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Stop renaming roads and use taxpayer money to solve real problems like the misery of driving the roads in horrible traffic, potholes, and other driving/walking/bus/biking hazards! Enough already!

Kristin Gorak

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Re: Renaming of Lee and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highways

Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 9:16 AM

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Subject: Renaming of Lee and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highways

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When I relocated to Fairfax County in 1987, the road names were the most difficult element to comprehend. It remains mind-boggling for a street, which is not disconnected in any way, to change names half-a-dozen times between its origination and its terminus; all the while maintaining its route number.

May we please just keep it simple:

- **Route 50**
- **Route 29**

This will be a cost saver, will never become offensive to anyone, and will aid travelers with an obvious and straight-forward name to recognize.

Thank you!

Cindy Haney
Providence District
Falls Church VA 22042

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Lee Jackson Highway

DH

Daniel Harrison <danielharrison0341@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 10:29 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Who gives a fuck! Why are you wasting tax dollars on dumb shit like this?! Fix the county and stop worrying about names of roads ass holes!

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Don't change confederate names of streets or highways or communities. Waste of time and money. Only consider new streets and highways and communities.

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Name Change

JE

J.R.'s Cox E-mail <jrnolen@cox.net>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Sir/Ma'am,

This is a waste of everyone's time and money. The Task Force is trying to fix a problem that doesn't exist for the majority of the Fairfax County public. All our tax dollars, witch are considerable, could be better spent elsewhere.

Please cease work on a non-existent problem.

V/r,

JRN

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Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Hwy renaming

J **jdar1122 <jdar1122@aol.com>**

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Resent that my tax dollars are being wasted on such a ridiculous endeavor.

Many people need food, health care, etc. & Ffx Cty is spending money on an issue from a small but loud group who really care less about the end result. No wonder our property taxes are so High!! Majority don't even know the history they are trying to change.

We need a new Board of Supervisors!

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Renaming of Lee highway and Lee Jackson highway

VK

Vicki Kadilak <vlkadilak@yahoo.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 9:35 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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NO. Please do not rename these highways.

It's not even definite which Lee they are named after. Many Lee family members were very prominent in this area. This is also proven by the extensive research the County has already performed on the Lee name. Many people do not even know about this research. It might be a good idea to publicize this more before the voting deadline.

The same goes for the Lee district recreation center - do not rename it either.

Thank you for conducting this survey. I only hope people do the research before voting.

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Renaming Lee Highway in Arlington

BK

Bryan Kloster <bryan.kloster@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 3:09 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force,

First, thank you for inviting public opinion on this issue, hearing from all sides is certainly important in maintaining public trust.

Second, I would like express my opposition to a Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway name change (vote: No) on the basis of:

- Robert E. Lee's local roots and the impact of his family on the development of the country and especially Virginia
- Jackson as a historical figure whose past is deeply rooted in the states history
- **The costs to taxpayers of changing signage and all other associated increased costs**

Thank you,
Bryan

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Road Rename

HL

Henry LEWIS <arch6605@icloud.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 6:55 PM

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I am in favor of renaming these roads!

Henry Lewis
6605Forsythia Street
Springfield, Va 22150

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ABSOLUTELY NOT.....These patriots are part of OUR American history.

PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE THESE OR ANY OTHER NAMES. THESE ROADS, BUILDINGS, ETC WERE NAMED TO HONOR OUR FOREFATHERS WHO MADE OUR COUNTRY WHAT IT IS TODAY, whether you agree or disagree with their actions/beliefs at that time and place

YOU CANNOT CHANGE HISTORY.

[REDACTED]

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Comments on renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

MM

Margie Morris <fma@dc.net>

Fri 11/5/2021 5:31 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force:

I am vehemently against our county wasting money on renaming highways - not only the ones above but any.

- 1) Teach history, don't rewrite it
- 2) Renaming highways causes confusion for not only residents but all who may travel in the future in this region
- 3) renaming roads smacks of socialist/Communist regimes, that every time a new power is in administration, they force a name change.
- 4) There is a tremendous cost to renaming roads - signs, maps, all documents, internet sites, etc. Isn't it better to keep the name and educate the children at school about the history of our country? Adults are smart enough to know the differences.
- 5) There are many more important things to concentrate on such as crime, better roads (new names won't change the condition of the road), infrastructure, park preservation, etc. This renaming of anything should be a bottom tier priority.

Thank you for considering my comments.

M. Ferris Morris
Falls Church, VA 22044

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: Adriaen Morse <morseadriaen@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

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Feedback

DN

Daniel Nichols <cptdannichols@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 8:00 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To Whom it May Concern,

My current recommendation is to not change the names of Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Hwy. My reasons are below:

1) Pragmatic. This potential renaming of highways requires time and costs that the government could use towards helping those truly in need or providing additional safety measures in the county. The names of roadways may be bothersome to some, but an unsafe intersection in need of a stoplight (as an example) is of greater importance. Reliable public transportation for a single mom is more important than a street name. If Fairfax County solves all of its problems which have physical impacts on people in the County first, then perhaps it is time to look at road names.

2) Flawless name. I do not believe there is a flawless name that could be presented to replace these highway names. There is not a person in history who is without fault. Other replacement names could be George Washington, but he was a slave owner, or Martin Luther King Jr., but he witnessed a rape and encouraged it. (per David Garrow, the Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer of MLK jr.) Does this take away from the great things Washington and King did? If not, then there's no reason to replace Lee and Jackson who were excellent and brave leaders, and there are volumes of books showing great things they did. If knowing a historical figure performed actions that people today disapprove of, then where do you draw the line of who to commemorate? There is not a perfect candidate in history.

Thomas Jackson taught Sunday school classes to slaves in Lexington Virginia, even teaching many to read. He took a lot of flak for that act from those who looked down on African-Americans at the time. We celebrate others in history for that same act. Yet he also rebelled against the United States and its government founded on the Constitution. My point is, people do great and awful things in their lives. I believe it is worth remembering both aspects of people, and that's ok. If it is ok to commemorate historical figures with road names, and I believe it is, then you have to be able to accept that they weren't perfect by today's standards.

I believe the county government should focus on issues that impact daily lives in a direct matter, and not on hot topics which are emotional and do not produce any actual result that helps citizens.

v/r

Dan Nichols

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- > On 3 Nov 2021, at 18:08, David Nickerson <david_nickerson@icloud.com> wrote:
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- > What is the point of this undertaking? The Confederacy no longer exists. There must be better names for these roads.
- >
- > How about: The Trans Virginia Throughway?
- >
- > David Nickerson

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Renaming Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

SO

Sarah O'Connor <soctim2008@gmail.com>

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DO NOT rename either 29 or 50. What a waste of taxpayer resources. History is what it is - we cannot and should not change it by renaming our streets and schools.
Thank you for requesting feedback.

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Lee Jackson Highway

TO

Tim Olsen <timolsen55@yahoo.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 3:06 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please stop this insane Cancel Culture/Woke garbage. The names are fine and represent history whether you view it that way or not.

I say "No".

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Lee Jackson Memorial Highway

BE

Betsy Edwards <schwab_01@yahoo.com>

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I do not think the Lee Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed simply because to do so would be to pretend history didn't happen.

Elizabeth Patterson
703-598-4531

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Highway name change

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My husband and I DO NOT WANT Lee Jackson Highway's name changed. We are sick of this "wokeness" - we might understand it for a high school but if people are upset driving on this highway they are indeed pathetic people.

We are very disturbed that our tax money is being wasted on this drive. And apparently you aren't looking for much comment since you gave residents ALL OF 8 DAYS to comment. What a waste of money and energy for DOT.

Patrick and Sheryl Perez

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Input on renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

JQ

John Quinn <skinsnats@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 7:05 PM

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Task Force Members - Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on this issue.

I think it's time to change the names, hopefully to something that appeals to, and uplifts, the great majority in our state and our nation. Something forward-looking, that all Americans can be proud of.

I suggest naming one or both of these highways after General Colin Powell.

John Quinn
Springfield, VA

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Proposed names changes for streets

LR

Lawrence Rayburn <lrayburn26@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I oppose changing the names of streets for the reasons suggested. History is NOT changed by changing reminders of important individuals and events in it. We should remember all of our history even if we don't approve of everything that transpired.

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Annandale Road Renaming

DR

Daniel Roberts <thelostclam@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 11:59 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Greetings,

Mark Hamill, aka Luke Skywalker, was born in Annandale, VA. I truly believe you should consider any road renaming include Mr. Hamill and or his most famous character's name.

This is a serious suggestion,

Thank you for your time,

Dan Roberts

4573 Airlie Way, Annandale, VA 22003

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Opinion on Confederate Names

JR

Janet Roemmel <roemmel@xmission.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 5:58 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: roemmel@xmission.com



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Dear Task Force,

Thank you for sending the informational flyer about the task force in the mail to residences in the county.

My opinion is that the Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Hwy should be renamed for two different reasons:

1. The homage that the road names pay to the confederate leaders is unwarranted today, given that it sends the wrong signals about who we should revere. This doesn't discount that there is something to be learned from the Civil War leaders. We should still remember who they were and why they were successful in their own way – and why they ultimately failed. However, their ideals are outdated. There are many more deserving people to honor by giving their name to major thoroughfares.
2. As a newcomer to the area, it was very confusing that so many roads have “Lee” imbedded in their names. It was super confusing and annoying to find my way around with road names that are not distinctly different.

Cheers,

Janet Roemmel

Reston, VA

Cell 801.913.1727

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I am against renaming any roads. Your task force is apparently trying to erase history .

Erasing history is the first step toward the demise of American Values and the demise of the fabric of this country.

Bill Rosenbluth
Reston, VA



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Highway Renaming suggestions

DS

David Seddelmeyer <davidjanjinny@mac.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 9:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Thank you for making Fairfax a better place. I suggest that **Elizabeth Van Lew** and **Mary Bowser** be considered for the highway renaming.

Elizabeth Van Lew lived in Richmond and was the daughter of a slave-owning family. When her father died, she freed her family's slaves and purchased and freed slave families that were in jeopardy of being split up. Significantly, she risked her life in the service of the Union war effort by providing Confederate troop information through a spy network. She also assisted Union prisoners in Libby Prison, providing food and clothing, and helping some escape.

Mary Bowser, who at an early age had been among the slaves freed by Van Lew, obtained employment in the household of Jefferson and Varuna Davis with Van Lew's assistance. As a household servant, and again at great personal risk, Bowser actively spied on Confederate war aims and passed the information through the lines to Union officers.

Both women were credited then, and now, with providing invaluable information that the Union military relied upon to put down the rebellion. I believe that renaming the highways after one or both of these heroic Virginia women appropriately honors their memory and their courage, which has been well-researched and documented in books and film. I am also a supporter of naming more public roads and highways after distinguished women - there are very few such roads in Fairfax or in Virginia, generally.

I've attached links to the Wikipages of each for your consideration.

Thank you for this much-needed and long-overdue work on behalf of all Virginians.

David Seddelmeyer

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Name changes

FS

Frances Segal <jnftsegal@cox.net>

Fri 11/5/2021 8:15 PM

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Renaming Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Hwy in Virginia

RE: [REDACTED] Confederate names task force

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I am writing in response to Fairfax County's survey on whether to rename roads in Virginia after the "heroes" of the Confederacy.

Treason in defense of slavery is not a value that the state of Virginia should be promoting. These traitors not only fought against the United States to keep people in slavery, they personally held slaves. Jefferson Davis Highway was named after a Mississippian - his association with the Commonwealth is purely as the President of the Confederacy.

We should remember these individuals, study their lives and the terrible impact that they had on millions of Americans and the damage they did to our country. But we should not endorse their villainous deeds by naming roads, schools, bases, and buildings after them. It is offensive to the Virginians of today, and flagrantly disrespectful to those who suffered and died in slavery, in combat to preserve the Union, and in generations of postbellum racism and violence.

I grew up in Fairfax County and lived here for fifty years. It's only in the last half-decade that the glorification and implicit approval of the Confederacy and their actions and philosophy through statues and holidays and naming has even come into question. I am appalled that it has taken so long for people to recognize how wrong and shameful this is.

Should these things be renamed? God yes, and as soon as possible. It's embarrassing - I have yet to see a highway named after Benedict Arnold, a building named after Aldrich Ames, or a school named after John Walker Lindh. Because that would be ridiculous. But here we are.

If it were up to me, I would rename these things to honor heroic Virginians like Mildred and Richard Loving, Henrietta Lacks, and Arthur Ashe - people who could inspire all Virginians to greater things, rather than tacetly perpetuate the veneration of despicable turncoats and defenders of slavery.

Regards,
Doug Smith

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Confederate Names

SS

Steven Smith <ssmith@ayrhill.net>

Fri 11/5/2021 11:19 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I've lived in Fairfax County for the last 59 of my 61 years.

Removing Confederate commemoratives from public display does not "change history" as some have argued. Confederate monuments, statues, memorials and tributes belong in museums, not in public squares or on public streets. We should not *celebrate* the leaders of the bloody, failed effort to secede from the UNITED States of America, but we should certainly *remember* them.

Steve Smith
Vienna VA

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FW: Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

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Fri 11/5/2021 5:59 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



From: Masaki Takahashi <masakitakahashi7257@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, November 5, 2021 1:06 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Cc: Brian <bmilchak@gmail.com>; Christopher Dabo <dabo9988@gmail.com>; Kyoko Yoshida <kyokointokyo813@yahoo.co.jp>; Maria Takahashi <maria.takahashi@gmail.com>; Marisa Dabo <marisadabo3@gmail.com>; Masaya Takahashi <mtakahashi033@yahoo.com>; Megumi Margaret Takahashi <megumi.m.takahashi@gmail.com>; William Chiu <wchiu06@gmail.com>

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Dear sir,

I would like you to keep the name of Lee. I don't think General Lee was a racist. He was a great general respected even by opponent's officers. The name of Lee Highway is so familiar for me and hard to imagine called by other names.

Best regards,
Masaki Takahashi
202-413-2274

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Road name

MT

Mike Talisnik <Talisnik@msn.com>

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Keep the names Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. I think most of us don't even think of the connection when we mention those roads. And that is not a bad thing. We have grown up and lived with these names.

If the name is changed, please, please don't give it another person's name. If we can't keep important historical names that sacrificed for their country no matter what side they were on, don't name it after someone who hasn't sacrificed for this country. Just give it a generic name: EX. Green Street.

It is sad that we want to rename all our streets, schools, etc. It is our history no matter whether we like it or not.

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Renaming of Highways

WT

WAID TOY <waid.toy@cox.net>

Fri 11/5/2021 7:09 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please leave the names alone. There are better ways to spend money than to cause all the changes to business addresses maps and publications. The association with the issue of slavery does not come to most people's minds based on the names. One can find something offensive about most things. If the names are a reminder of a horrible thing then the reminder may cause one to think before committing horrible actions in the future. Changing the names will not erase history. Learning from the past can impact the future.

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Re-naming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

RT

Raul Tuazon <raultuazon@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 7:46 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Kata Bartoloni-Tuazon <kbartoloni.tuazon@gmail.com>; Anne Stuntz <stuntzag@aol.com>

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I am sending you my comments on re-naming The Lee Highway and the Lee Jackson Highway. I tried the on-line survey but the survey page did not seem to be working.

My zip code is 22180, and live near Park Street and Tapawingo. The names of both highways should be changed. The history of the naming clearly shows the intent to perpetuate the Lost Cause, and to perpetuate the split between the North and the South.

The current names affect me and my community very negatively. The current names serve as a continual reminder of the glorification of slavery, slave owners and traitors.

Changing the names would have a very positive effect. It would demonstrate a commitment to repudiating the myth of the lost cause and moving towards a more inclusive, just society.

Raul Tuazon
raultuazon@gmail.com
cut wood, carry water, play guitar

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Renaming Rt. 29 and Rt. 50

RW

Robert Welsh <rlwelsh47@gmail.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 11:10 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am opposed to changing the names of these highways. Beyond the waste of money and the inconvenience, this smacks of what the USSR did with changing Saint Petersburg to Leningrad. Let us leave history alone and discuss it rather than cancel it.

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Renaming of Lee and Lee-Jackson Highways

RW

Rick Wilhelm <rawilhelm1@aol.com>

Fri 11/5/2021 3:16 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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While I heartedly concur in the need to change both names and have filled out the survey accordingly, I believe that establishment of the new names on an open-ended basis such as the survey suggests may prove problematic. I think that the purpose behind the renaming would be better served in the Task Force whittled replacement names down to two or three possibilities and then asked the general public which one they prefer and possibly why. Sincerely, Rick Wilhelm

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Public input



My wife and I have absolutely no problem with the existing confederate names of highways, schools or statues. This is an overreaction by a small minority to try to bring to light the issue of the black/man and slavery. Whatever your view point is, this is part of America's history and as such cannot be erased. Let's accept it and if actions are needed to support BLM and other social issues then by all means take them. You can not, nor should we try to change the past, it's called our history and is the basis of what our country is founded on. All decisions are made at given time using the current circumstances. How far back to you want to go to erase history? What about early World history. How far back do you want to go? The issue of slavery has evolved to where it is no longer acceptable. Any social and economic events that prevent anyone from having a "Fair Chance" should be eliminated under the current environment. But we should not try to change our history.

We would be happy to further discuss this view with anyone interested.

Respectfully,

Joe & Lee Zadareky
7503 Candytuft Ct
Springfield, VA 22153
703-455-2722

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Renaming roads in Fairfax

LB

Lucy Balcezak <lucy.balcezak@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 10:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

I am a resident of Fairfax county and i would strongly vote for renaming any and all roads named after confederate figures, including rt 50. I appreciate you looking into this!

Lucy

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RENAMING HIGHWAYS

HS

Heinz Scheidemandel <hynessch@cox.net>

Sat 11/6/2021 10:07 PM

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Renaming of Route 29 & Route 50

RA

Rekha Arness <rekhaindk@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 7:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force,

The two highways that are named in honor of Robert E. Lee and Thomas Jackson should be renamed at the earliest opportunity. These highly-traveled highways should not bear the names of men who supported secession and fought against the Union to preserve slavery. Robert E. Lee also violated his oath as a U.S. army officer to defend the constitution of the United States, an unpardonable offense. No road, highway, public building, school, or park in the State of Virginia, not just Fairfax County, should bear the name of either Lee or Jackson.

Sincerely,
Rekha Arness
McLean, VA

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Yes, Lee Highway (rt 29) and Lee-Jackson (rt 50) shots be renamed

A

Arun <arun7kurup@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 9:17 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello Fairfax county Confederate names task force,

I strongly support renaming rt 29 and rt 50.

Seeing General Lee's name preserves inherent racism in our society.

I suggest leaving the roads simply as Rt 29 and Rt 50.

Thank you,
Arun
Oakton , VA, 22124

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Stop wasting money for these nonsense renaming

PB

Peace Bird <peacebirdvaus@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 4:42 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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BB

Betty Brown <bettybtru@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 4:33 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway Name Change

Yes, I think they should be changed.

Potential Names:

William Lee Highway (George Washington's enslaved valet throughout the Revolutionary War)

Patsy Mink Highway (first woman of color to be elected to Congress; author of Title IX legislation; much more)

Sincerely,
Betty Brown

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Street name change

C

ChildsRobertaB <leeberta@juno.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 6:16 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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DO NOT change the street names! They have been the same for a hundred years and more! It would cause mass confusion anyway. If folks don't like it, they can move out. Roberta Childs, in Fairfax Co. since 1940.

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NO to changing highway names

TC

Theresa Courtillet <tclpc17@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 6:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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I am a psychotherapist licensed in the state of Virginia. I have been in business over 25 years. My office for 21 years was on Lee Highway, Fairfax. One year pre-Covid, I did relocate my office so I no longer had the Lee Hwy address.

As a business owner, the headaches and cost of this change will be enormous. In addition to the cost of business cards, pamphlets, changing websites, google address changes would be huge and the time involved to work on these changes would be a heavy burden. In addition, trying to give directions to new clients and explaining the name change looks like a pain in the a\$\$.

Besides the huge cost of time and money on businesses and residential areas, there is NOT ONE REASON TO CHANGE the name.

Do you really think that as residents/visitors drive on these roads we remember who they were named after? Do we really give anyone homage if they have a road or school named after them? NO! If you keep tearing away our history, how is anyone to learn about it?

or is that the goal? to change and erase American history to reflect Communist views?

I do NOT want my tax dollars wasted to make road/sign changes. **Do not waste tax payer dollars.**

NO!

Theresa Courtillet, LPC

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Comments on Road Name Changes

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sadenny@aol.com

Sat 11/6/2021 6:00 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Sirs and Madams,

I ask you to oppose removing the names of former Confederates from any street in Fairfax County, especially those of Robert Lee and Thomas Jackson.

It is only fair to judge a person's actions and life in light of the cultural context and values of the time in which he lived and not by those of the present. Who knows what transgressions people living 150 years from now might hold against those of us alive in 2021?

In 1861 the United States had been in existence only 72 years, and it was not at all unusual to know someone who had been born before there was a United States. For perhaps 98% of those living, the only regular contact they had with the federal government was through the Post Office. The vast majority had a closer connection -and stronger allegiance to- their state than the national government. For all practical purposes, their state was their country.

Such was the case with Lee and Jackson. When it came time to choose whom they would support in 1861, each of them believed there was but one honorable and proper choice – to side with Virginia should the federal government send armed military personnel into their state.

I like to think that if I were an adult Virginian in 1861 that I would have remained loyal to the federal government, but I cannot be sure that I would have. Even if, like Lee and Jackson, I opposed slavery.

Let us not forget that both of them had served the federal government honorably and proudly, even during battle. In the case of Lee, it was for decades and in what today, looking back, we would consider extreme hardship posts. [Try to imagine what it must have been like in the 1850s to travel to and live in a remote fort in Texas without wife or family.]

Many today castigate Lee because he believed Whites were superior to Blacks. But my guess is that so did at least 95% of the White population in the north. In fact, it is a near certainty that the same percentage of northern Whites would never have joined a war against the south if its primary purpose when it began had been to free the slaves.

It is well-established that when it came to slavery, the vast majority of northerners in 1861 wanted only to ensure that it did not spread beyond those states where it already existed. President Lincoln even went so far as to support a constitutional amendment to guarantee slavery where it existed in perpetuity – if the South would agree in return to abandon secession for all time.

We living today should remember that the people who had the strongest claim to hate southern soldiers and demand that they be severely punished were those in the north whose fathers, husbands, brothers, uncles or friends had fallen in battle. Not to mention the thousands more who suffered grievous life-long wounds.

And yet within a relatively short time after the end of the war, these northerners came to understand that those who fought for the Confederacy did so because they believed it the right and honorable thing to do, and respected Confederate soldiers and revered many Confederate generals, especially Lee and Jackson.

Are we today, over 150 years removed from the intense anger, bitterness and overwhelming pain and anguish endured by the northerners of that time, truly in a position to refuse to forgive and honor those who performed what they believed to be their sacred duty, even when that duty would perpetuate an inhumane institution?

A final point about Lee. At the time he surrendered his Army of Northern Virginia to Ulysses Grant in 1865, he refused the earnest entreaties of many of his subordinates to support a fight-to-the-death guerilla war against the Union. Had Lee agreed to their pleas, so high was he held in esteem throughout the Confederacy, that tens of thousands of well-trained, battle-hardened soldiers would have made the decades after 1865 a hell on earth for America.

Instead, Lee instructed his soldiers to surrender their arms, return to their homes, tend to their crops, and care for their families. Which is exactly what all of them did.

For this act alone, all Americans of today owe a debt of gratitude to Lee. At the very least, we should honor this debt by not changing the name of streets that bear his name.

I think all of us like to believe that, if we had to make a difficult and unpopular choice, we would without hesitation choose to do the right thing. This is the situation, Ladies and Gentlemen, that you now face. Which choice will you make?

Do the popular thing and you will be honored and praised by your families, friends, and fellow citizens of Fairfax County. Do the right thing, and you will be ridiculed, slandered, and called every obscene word you have ever heard, and some that you haven't.

I don't envy you.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Steve Denny

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Fw: Lee Highway/Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway Name Change

MD

Mary Dove <mgdove@hotmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 7:30 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Ladies and Gentlemen,

The suggested idea of changing the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway is pure lunacy. Changing names of streets, roads and highways to appease a small group of people is not acceptable. These names have been around for many years and are a part of the rich history of Fairfax County and Fairfax City.

If you want to honor present day historical figures, put their names on new roads, streets, highways and schools.

Changing the name of Lanier Middle School just because Lanier fought in the Civil War and ignoring his many accomplishments, poet, musician, lawyer, in his 39 years of life was irresponsible. Honor Ms. Johnson in another way.

I am a native born Virginian and resident of Fairfax for over 50 years. I am proud to be a Virginian and of our history even though some is not pretty. We cannot deny our history and we must learn from it.

The people of the Commonwealth of Virginia spoke loudly and clearly that they are tired of the leftist progressive movement that is taking over our society.

Sincerely,
Mary G. Dove

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Renaming highways

CF

Cindy Fox <clfoxf86@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 4:49 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Please do not rename the highways. The cost is not worth it. If you do decide to rename them, please use Route numbers and not names. Someone some day will be offended by whatever name is chosen. It is ridiculous in FFX County to have the same road with different names: example, Dolly Madison, Maple Avenue, 123. Just call it 123 and there will be less confusion.

By the way, why don't we have smart traffic lights? It is ridiculous for a light to go through a full cycle when there are no cars waiting at a light. Example: Route 7 and Lewinsville Road. I go to work at 2:30 in the morning and that light goes through a very long full cycle. There is no one at that church, rarely anyone coming off of Lewinsville at that hour, yet cars on Route 7 have to wait for a long light cycle and a left turn cycle when no one is going to that church. Our roads would be a lot less congested if the traffic could just keep moving.

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Regards,

Cindy Fox

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Comment on renaming Route 29 and Route 50 in Fairfax County

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lenoremf@aol.com

Sat 11/6/2021 4:58 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To Whom It May Concern,

In reply to the postcard I received in the mail, I say YES to renaming Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County.

Lenore M. Funkhouser
5604 Cornish Way
Alexandria, VA 22315
703-915-4440

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Renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway



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I wholeheartedly disagree with the renaming of these highways.

Lets not rename these roadways simply because a minority (sm number) wishes not to accept our past in Northern Virginia.

Are we to rename the state of Virginia, or any other state, because they were simply members of the confederacy?

This is our history...good, bad, or otherwise. But to try and change this history, and force others to forget, is simply an attempt to "cancel" our history all together because a minority constituency of Virginia disagrees with the past. Remember, it was Winston Churchill who said, "Those that fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it." Also, let's not forget the patriotism of these soldiers who fought on behalf of the State of Virginia. In fact, Lee freed his own slaves long before the war began and was opposed to secession, however, his devotion to his native Virginia led him to join the confederacy, even after he was offered command of the Union Armies.

Today's sensibilities of race, religious freedoms, and equalities are not the same as those during the 19th century and we should not hold those of that time to our same standard today.

Are we to rename Washington DC next?

Please register my vote to keep the current names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway as they have been for the past century.

Lee Grassley
Fairfax Station, VA

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

KH

Kym Heinzmann <kymheinzmann@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 7:58 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I received your placard in the mail and wanted to respond to the issue of renaming these two highways. Instead of focusing on finding an individual to name them after, you should consider designating them exactly what they are: Route 29 and Route 50. That might be beneficial to both citizens and tourists alike. Naming such things as roads and buildings after an individual seems an exercise in futility as we all have feet of clay and whomever you choose will eventually turn out to be someone who offends a citizen's or a group's sensibilities. If you are searching for an individual, you might try Harry Potter Highway or Harry Potter Boulevard so that when there is a pothole or other hazard which could damage someone's car, they could get magically fixed. This is a waste of taxpayer money which should be used to fix our roads and not try to find someone to name them after. They already have a name: Route 29 and Route 50.

Kym Heinzmann

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Re: renaming of Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway

AH

Al Hulliung <ahulliung@aol.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 3:00 PM

To: ghulliung@aol.com; DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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In full agreement. This "woke" Task Force needs to go back to sleep.

-----Original Message-----

From: Gloria Hulliung <ghulliung@aol.com>

To: DOTConfederateNamesTaskForce@fairfaxcounty.gov
<DOTConfederateNamesTaskForce@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Fri, Nov 5, 2021 7:23 pm

Subject: renaming of Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway

STOP THE NONSENSE. I vote NO.

Gloria Hulliung
10934 Stuart Mill Road
Oakton, VA 22124

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Do NOT rename Hwys!

SK

SHARON KELLER <skeller464@aol.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 8:32 PM

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I want to express my vehement opposition to renaming Rt 29 or Rt 50. Leave the names alone - both Lee and Jackson existed and were important to the history of our Commonwealth - both for good and for bad just like all of us.

Please do not erase history just because you don't like some of it in retrospect.

Sincerely,

Sharon H Keller

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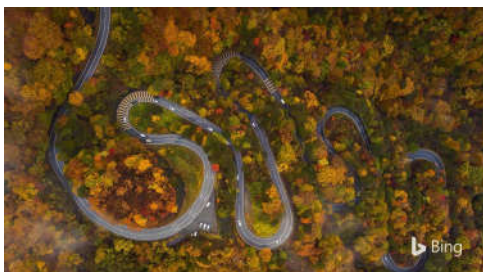
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Renaming Lee and Lee-Jackson may imply that it is customary to erase the names of those who shared in the sacrifices that make America great in order to satisfy shallow partisan political conquests. Incidentally, I gave \$500 to World Kitchen via the Lebanese Taverna restaurant for Beirut humanitarian relief only to learn later that they were spearheading the effort locally to rename our roads.

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Change Road Names???

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Sunny Kim <hotpotato7714@yahoo.com>

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I don't agree to change road names, it will confuse to all people!!!

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Name change for Rt 29 & 50

LK

Lisa Korade <lisakorade@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 3:59 PM

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Please do not change the name of these roads. Like it or not these men were important to VA history. Changing the name of a road will not erase the fact that there were slaves in the United States, and that Virginia was the headquarters of the confederacy.

Quit adding fuel to this fire. The more you try to erase our history the more divided this state will become.

Keep it as it is and focus your time and energy on things to improve our county and state.

Lisa Korade
202-701-9494

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Names

RL

R. E. Lawrence <relawrence01@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 7:19 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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do not change names--keep history.

Marjorie Kellner Lawrence 3440 s Jefferson, Falls Church,va

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Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway

DL

David Lee <davidvlee@me.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 9:14 PM

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DO NOT RENAME THESE HIGHWAYS

First, we have far more pressing issues than to spend the money required for changes to signage, maps, web sites, etc., not to mention the tax on businesses and residents who will have to change their preprinted address forms.

More importantly, we have to put an end to the cancel culture which is erasing our history. My father was Chinese and fought against the Japanese, who did horrible things to China. It took him years, but he was able to work with the Japanese and respect Japanese culture. Respecting Americans on both sides of the civil war a hundred years later should not be too challenging.

Finally, for those of us who are Democrats, this invites a backlash from those who are sick of cancel culture. It tends to increase the republican vote and decrease the Democratic vote, and even shifts some Democratic and independent voters to vote Republican.

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Survey

KM

k. marshall <kitogcm72@outlook.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 4:39 PM

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I received your ridiculous mailer asking mu opinion on changing names of streets named after famous confederates.

My answer is very simple. It's very clear to me that there are thousands of liberals and other snowflakes that require intense mental health treatment. With the mess that sleepy Joe has created, I feel my concern now is how I'm going to buy food, gasoline, medications and pay some of the highest real estate tax rates in the country, not the name on a street or subdivision.

I could care less about street names. The question uou have to ask yourself is if you change e every name, what next? Liberals are never satisfied and will start complaining about something else that is "racist".

Just give it a break and let us live in peace.

A life long resident of Fairfax County

Sent from my iPad

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Street name change survey comments

... focus on the real issues of today. I totally understand anything these days relating to race is politically charged, but you need to ask yourself when will it stop? First tearing down monuments, then changing the names of schools, now streets. What's next? Street signs are not monuments. Street names are not in and of themselves racist, only the people who interpret them that way. Citizens need to stop being offended by relics of the past. And the government needs to stop pleasing everyone who complains. Common sense tells you that nothing you do will change the fact that there were slaves in Virginia.

I would also like to add that changing names of streets that have been around forever is VERY confusing to citizens, especially senior citizens. There is a ton of construction in the county now, and any street name changes will just exasperate a difficult driving environment. Especially when it involves major highways.

And lastly I would like you to consider the enormous impact on businesses and residents who live on these streets. The millions the county will spend pales in comparison to the lost productivity, time and expense of changing addresses. You know what a pain it is when you change your own address, This will be magnified by hundreds. And BTW--a \$500 grant to businesses won't come close to covering expenses incurred by businesses who will have to

incur labor costs to change websites, stationary, accounts payable/receivable, tax returns, bank accounts, business cards, etc..

In closing I would like to reiterate that changing the names of Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway is a bad idea. It appears to be another knee jerk reaction to somehow improve race relations in the county, and make it more 'diversified' and celebrate our newfound 'values'. Really?? Please ask yourself-- will it do this? Or is it just window dressing to appear that you are actually addressing the real issues that the County has completely ignored? One pound your chest press conference and feel good moment and then everyone forgets about it. The recent election shows that Virginians want the politicians to focus on the real issues facing this great Commonwealth. It's time to stop this nonsense now. With all due respect, please reconsider whether this is really helping our citizens and do not waste any more taxpayer dollars on this project.

James and Beth Martin

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please change name of Lee Hwy to something else

AM

amy mckee <amyemckee@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 4:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I would like to suggest changing the names of Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Hwy to something not associated with the Confederacy.

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Confederate Names Proposal

MM

Mike McKinley <mikemckinley64@yahoo.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Do not rename Route's 29 and 50 because the names are those of Confederates. Both of these generals are historical American figures and were admired by both Union and Confederates alike. Both were graduates of the U.S. Military Academy. General Lee was the superintendent of the Academy at one time and was President Lincoln's first choice to be commander of the Union Army. President Lincoln recognized Lee's greatness. General Jackson was known for being very resourceful. He mastered the art of using his smaller forces to defeat those that were very much larger than his. The leadership abilities of these two great men has been studied and should be remembered. It is acknowledged that they were two of the most outstanding generals in our nation's history and they achieved their recognition as Virginians.

Michael J. McKinley
COL US ARMY (retired)
'64 USMA

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NAME CHANGE SURVEY

JM

Jan Michalski <judgemichalski@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 8:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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My family and I and all of our friends are completely opposed to this stupid, wasteful display of revisionist malfeasance.

It is a shameful display of unjust and wasteful squandering of the taxpayers money

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LeeHwy(Rt29) & Lee-JacksonMemorialHwy

M

Monica <monica_kevin@cox.net>

Sat 11/6/2021 6:29 PM

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I believe public roads, streets, etc and schools, public buildings, etc. should **NOT be named after anyone.**

Everyone has skeletons in their closets.

As opposed to naming after a person;

Please just name streets & public buildings using:

- Numbers
- Letters of the Alphabet
- Words from Nature.

Thank you for this opportunity to state my opinion,
22315 Resident

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Renaming routes 29 and 50

TM

Tom Munger <dadcat97@hotmail.com>

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Ladies and gentlemen—

Yes, I am of the opinion that the Lee and Jackson monikers should be removed from those highways.

I am a 73 year old southern, white, former history teaching voter.

Thank you for asking for input.

Cordially,

Tom Munger
Vienna

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people names for streets

RO

Ron Orr <outlook_987FC54F04995C97@outlook.com>

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Get rid of all people names for streets. Don't set yourself up for controversy in the first place. We have museums for reminding us of the past. You can easily add historical context to a name in a museum.

Ronald M. Orr
13616 Old Chatwood Pl.
Chantilly, VA 20151

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Suggested Name changes for Lee

S

Suzy <suzoundle@verizon.net>

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To Whom it may Concern;

Below are my suggestions for the name change of Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

[Barbara Rose Johns](#) Memorial Highway

Colin Powell Memorial Highway

Ella Fitzgerald Memorial Highway

Thank you for all your hard work on the Confederate Names Task Force,

Suzanne Porth
5905 Fulton's Landing Court
Burke VA 22015

suzoundle@verizon.net
703-969-9151 (cell phone)

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Renaming Confederate Named Highways/Streets

JP

Jacqueline Pruitt <japruitt1959@aol.com>

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NO!

HECK NO!!

What purpose would they serve?

At what cost \$

Pure stupidity!

I can think of better ways to spend taxpayers money. Can't you?

I am A Fairfax County resident and a PROUD Southern woman.

This is HISTORY.

Leave it alone and learn from it.

Sent from my iPhone

Jackie

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Rename Route 29 and Route 50

CA

Clr Alexva <clralexva@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 8:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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We need to rename all roads, streets, military bases, etc that are named after Confederate Army participants. General Lee and others were traitors to the United States. They seceded from the Union, created an army of their own, and attempted, but failed, to overthrow the United States Government. They were not then and should not ever be considered heroes. We need to rename Route 29 and Route 50 to acknowledge that fact.

Sincerely,

Carey Ragels

[7905 Donelson St](#)

[Alexandria, VA 22309](#)

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My vote to remove all confederate names

D

donelle@donelle.com

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Dear task force -

This is my vote YES to remove the names of the confederacy from our roads, and to remove statues honoring anyone from the confederacy history. Germany didn't resurrect monuments to the nazis, and it is the same white supremacy that fostered our slave and lynching history.

Thank you,
Donelle Sawyer
Vienna, VA

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Renaming Lee Highway

ES

Ellen Schaefer <ellenschaefer217@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 7:02 PM

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I am a resident of the Town of Vienna in Fairfax County. I would advocate for renaming highways that honor Confederate soldiers or leaders. As we know acknowledge, Confederate leaders were not only fighting to maintain slavery, but were also seditionists bound to fight against the United States.

Ellen Schaefer

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Renaming roads and schools

PS

paul shultz <paulkshultz@outlook.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 8:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I think it is a terrible idea to change the names of roads and schools in an effort to rewrite history or erase it. Changing the name of a road or school does not change what happened in the past. It is better to be aware of what took place in the past so that you don't repeat it. As the old adage goes: "Those who do not understand the past are doomed to relive it."

Paul Shultz
3425 Gaddy Court
Falls Church, VA 22042
703-208-1813

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survey on for VA residents?

AS

agnieszka sykes <sykesnikka15@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 9:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

I just took the survey and I'm wondering if you have to be an VA resident to take the survey?

Thanks & PS changing the names is long overdue,

Agnieszka

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DO NOT Rename Routes 29 and 50

AV

Alexander Voziyan <alexv04911@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 6:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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Good evening,

I received a flyer about whether we should rename the highways. I am very much against this.

These highways are named and bear historical significance. It was originally intended to go from Robert E. Lee's burial site to New Orleans. Our history is that of pain, inequality, and suffering no doubt. However, we mustn't erase history. No person in their right mind is proud that people exploited others and subjected them to torture and ultimatly death, but it is still a peice in the puzzle to how the US ultimatly is the way it is today. Removing the name will not "go away" with racism and the naming of the highway is to honor his positives, but to also put on display the horrible things he did. Nobody looks at Robert E. Lee or any of the other confederate figures and idolizes them to the point of wanting to reinstate slavery and think whites to be better than blacks. Even if there are people like that, they are stupid beyond comprehension and most of their opinions should be ignored.

I hope you will take what I have said into account when deciding whether to rename the routes or not.

Thank you,
A. Voziyan

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Rt 29 and Rt 50

SVV

Sat 11/6/2021 7:23 PM

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I strongly oppose changing the names of these roads. Like it or not Lee and Jackson were part of history. The names did not bother anybody until the current race mania woke obsession began in recent years. Erasing history is Orwellian and totalitarian in nature, it undermines the area's identity.

I strongly doubt anyone becomes upset driving on these roads with their current names. I believe this task force is fully a concoction of woke extremists, like those on the Bd of Supervisors, trying to destroy this country, and they are all over Fairfax gov, infecting the schools and others aspects of life here.

In all candor, I don't think you care what the public thinks. Just like the school boards here and in Loudoun, You have proven yrselves totalitarians at heart and will change the names regardless of public sentiment.

Spencer Warren
Annandale

Sent from my iPhone

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renaming

DW

Diane Weiss <weissdiane@hotmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 8:50 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Do not rename roads or anything else. Why wipe out history? We need to remember our past mistakes so we don't repeat them in the future. Renaming helps no one.

D Weiss

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Renaming highways

DA

Darla Anderson <nanadarla@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 2:35 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please don't rename Lee Highway. I find this very disturbing. I have lived near Lee Highway for almost 28 years and see no reason to rename this highway. I am not offended by it and neither are my family members. We can't erase history. We can only learn by it. Are you going to rename the Washington and Jefferson monuments? Are you planning to remove these names from all of the buildings and streets that have these words in them? I vote and pay taxes in this county and should have a say in the process.

Sincerely,
Darla Anderson

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Names Changes?

JA

j. andy <j.andy3573@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 2:00 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I refuse to pay for any of this garbage. Get over it.

You might be rich and have no problem making the tax payers fund your idiotic “task force”, but I refuse to support your moronic “woke” initiatives.

Bottom-line is this... GET BENT!!!

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Comment on renaming Route 29 and 50

BD

Ben D <bdeng2020@gmail.com>

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Hello,

I am against changing the name for Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway.

It's not wise to partially judge a historic figure using nowadays standard.

Many of the Founding Fathers were related to slavery in some ways, including George Washington. It's absurd to cancel them using an argument which was not upheld at their time.

Lee, a culture icon, who supported reconciliation between North and South, should be memorized.

Sincerely,
Ben

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As a Local Historian, I am in favor of keeping the current names of these two highways

WC

William Connery <william.connery@verizon.net>

Sat 11/6/2021 1:06 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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If we forget our History, we may be doomed to repeat it!

William Connery
The History Guy
Author of
Civil War Northern Virginia 1861
and
Mosby's Raids in Civil War Northern Virginia
5777 Westchester Street
Alexandria VA 22310
703-719-6639

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Do not change names

EK

Elizabeth Kalis <kalis.elizabeth@gmail.com>

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I am against changing any roadway names as erasing history is not possible and is a part of where we come from. It doesn't dictate where we are going. The civil war is what made America the country it is today

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Do not change the current names of Route 50 and 29.

WK

Wayne Koka <slovakcross595@outlook.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 1:10 PM

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I object to any names changes to our historical roads. Changing the names is a complete waste of money and an affront against history. I would have fought for the union had I lived during the Civil War but I believe American History should be preserved and not subjected to political “wokeness” nor should taxpayers pay for such affronts.

W. Koka
Chantilly, VA

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WM

Wilson Maca <wilsonrp@oxhillbaptist.org>

Sat 11/6/2021 10:12 AM

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Should Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County be renamed?

My answer is NO. NO. NO.

I think the County should be address and invest their time and resources in other topics like, neighborhood security, technology education, homeless in streets being for money **(instead of change the “names” of the street ,change this beggars’ world and give them opportunities)**

Please let focus in the important not in the cosmetic topics (CRT) 🗨

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Confederate highway names

AM

Aileen Miller <aileen.miller@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 12:45 PM

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Thank you for serving on this important task force. I filled out the survey but I wanted to make sure you received the suggestion of renaming for the Native Indigenous tribes who live(d) in the area. I think this would be a far better naming system to honor the heritage of the area.

Thank you.

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Dear task force members,

I support the proposal to rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

I was born and raised in Indiana and first came to Virginia to attend the College of William and Mary in the 1980s. One of the things that shocked me then was the celebration of the Civil War by many Virginians and the countless statues, buildings and roads named after Confederate leaders and generals. My small town “northern” public school education and parents had taught me that the Confederacy was an insurrection against the United States for the purpose of perpetuating slavery and the economy and society built on slavery, and I was appalled that anyone would think that it was a good idea to have memorials to that Insurrection or the goals it sought to advance.

That is still me view 35 years later.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Mueller
Resident of Lee District

.

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Changing highway names

LN

Linda Nunyabusiness <himalayanlover@hotmail.com>

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I vote NO to changing the name of Lee Highway. You can't eradicate history by ignoring it plus the cost of re-signage would be a TOTAL WASTE of taxpayers money!!!!

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AGAINST

MR

Marie Rank <iloveastinker@gmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 12:55 AM

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We must embrace our history in order to learn from it. We cannot change history We can only change to future

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Change the names of major VA roads named after confederate generals.

RU

Rob Underhill <robunderhill@hotmail.com>

Sat 11/6/2021 2:24 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I support changing the names of major VA roads named after confederate generals. It is my understanding that this naming convention (along with the later erecting statues of the same historical figures) was intended to be a reminder of confederate ideals of white supremacy in the Jim Crow south.

Renaming the roads to something related to the significant battlefields or landmarks they intersect could maintain historical references without honoring individuals who waged war to keep people enslaved.

Robert Underhill
Reston VA.

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

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MSN <wpwycoff@msn.com>

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Thank you for requesting public input. I do not think Confederates should be honored with street names. I do not support changing the names to honor obscure woke heroes or causes. Can we please pick names that have broad bipartisan support? There are many US presidents or generals with lasting stature worthy of the honor: Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Grant, Pershing, Eisenhower, Marshall. Or units or battles: 101st Airborne Division Memorial Highway, Bastogne Memorial Highway, etc.

Wes Wycoff
Herndon VA

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Fibonacci Day

It's a bit of a fib that Fibonacci, the 13th-centu

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Having a highway named Lee in close proximity to one named Lee-Jackson can be confusing. I'm sure though it will cost money and cause confusion to change. The money could be spent on teaching history.

General Lee was admired by North and South. Most today would agree he fought on the wrong side during the civil war but what I remember him for is the role he played in negotiating the surrender at Appomattox. There was no need to make things worse for the South than the had to be. He advocated for the common Southern family. After all it was only the wealthiest of the South that owned slaves.

I think the best reason to change one of the streets names is to reduce confusion. One highway honoring Lee is enough. Attempting to erase history however is a bad idea and I don't want to pay for that.

David T Croft.

Sent from my iPhone

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Response to postcards requesting comments of resident customers.

LH

Lee Household <us7038657328@yahoo.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 1:04 AM

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All members of our household agree that

1. A name of a road need not change because of what event had happened in the past associated with the name unless the action will not cost any tax money or unless the action will make the road safer and easier to use or unless the name was originally chosen solely for a purpose of insulting certain people. (No name game is welcome)
2. No tax, a forced donation against our will per production and wealth we have created, need not be wasted in changing signs when all signs are perfectly intact. (Replace the names with "Route 29" or "Routh 50" signs when signs need to be replaced)
3. No additional money needs to be wasted by Department of "Transportation" for wages, office spaces, electricity, gas, water, furniture, internet, phone, electronics, paper, postage, printing, etc. to create and maintain a team that does nothing to improve our transporting experience. (How dare you send us the mails under the name that only translates in hour head to "DOT - Not Transportation but Political Task Force" that only remind us of the abuse being done to CURRENT residents under name of "taxing power" while using thoughtfulness towards PAST residents as an excuse to justify such a waste of money forcefully taken from CURRENT residents.)
4. No such task force need not exist in the government and especially under a roof of Department of TRANSPORTATION that is neither a political nor an academic organization. (I drive over 1 to 3 pot holes Every day and I see several street signs not being visible due to overgrown tree branches/leaves every day; do something about that)
5. If "LEE" is a bad name that must be changed, then "all these Koreans have that inappropriate last name". (Who is the racist now?)

LEE Family

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Renaming Lee Highway and/or Lee Jackson Memorial Highway

SB

Shields, Bill <BShields@acr.org>

Sun 11/7/2021 12:07 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I strongly oppose renaming these and any similar roads or other memorials This attempt to change / ignore or rewrite history is just more WOKE nonsense. As George Orwell foretold in his classic book, 1984:

“ EVERY RECOED HAS BEEN DESTROYED OR FALSIFIED, EVERY BOOK REWRITTEN, EVERY PICTURE HAS BEEN REPAINTED, **EVERY STATUE, STREET AND BUILDING HAS BEEN RENAMED**, EVERY DATE HAS BEEN ALTERED. AND THE PROCESS IS CONTINUING DAY BY DAY AND MINUTE BY MINUTE. History has stopped. Nothing exists except an endless present in which the party is always right.”

Although Orwell was British and was likely unfamiliar with US political parties, he appears to have foreseen the rise of the ultra-liberal wing of the current Democratic party - and the correct term is “liberal” not “progressive”. Changing terminology doesn’t change the facts. The individuals making these decisions should review the results of the recent election and realize that voters can make changes in the bureaucracy as easily as the bureaucracy can change street names.

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Renaming roads on Northern Virginia

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Helen Allen <mollya5@comcast.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 3:40 PM

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Highway is a foolish idea. Most people refer to these roads by their numerical designations anyway - Rte. 50 and Rte. 29.

The change in names would cost the businesses along the routes a staggering amount of money - reprinting invoices, letterhead, signs, business cards etc and paying to have websites revised.

I venture to say that there are very, very few people who, when they say Lee Highway - stop and think that it was named for Robert E. Lee.

Perhaps the money and effort being expended on this "project" could better be used on the homeless issue in Fairfax, or help for our veterans or equipment or supplies for the schools.

Yours,

Helen Allen

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Name change

RB

Ray Barber <rbarber1@live.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 6:30 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Don't change the names of the Lee Highway or the Lee, Jackson Mem. Highway. keep our History .

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renaming Lee Highway

CB

Cristina Black <cristina.c.black@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 2:38 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hi, I would like to be included to vote against renaming Lee Highway. If you want to help minorities please put that money into literacy. Over half of the student population graduating from HS is illiterate. You want to change outcomes, make literacy a right. Spend money on that.

Cristina

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DB

Deborah Boyles <deborahlynn1925@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 5:13 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please do not change the name. How can we move forward if we are busy living in the past.
It's history let it be ... Please thanks and may GOD bless you

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Renaming Lee Hwy

KB

Kathleen Brinkman <kbbrinkman@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 10:57 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Respectfully, just leave it as is and use the money it would cost for a better purpose to literally, physically help others in our community....if we have money to spare for the cost involved in renaming.

Sincerely,

K B Brinkman

Falls Church

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Renaming Rt 29 & Rt 50



Sun 11/7/2021 4:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Task Force

Please STOP with the attempts to erase our past and wasting MY tax dollars on frivolous activities like changing the names of streets.

A change of this type would be an inconvenience to residents and business owners alike - including the cost to change banners, ads, and every listing for a business - along the path of these two venues.

We are not in need of the Soviet / Russian style of name changes to cover up or alter history (sic. St Petersburg / Petrograd / Leningrad are all the same city!) to suit our present day "squeaky wheels".

If it is someone's tender sensibilities that we're trying to protect, then by all means let us eradicate Washington's name and Jefferson's too. They both were products of their time and employed slaves to bring in their crops and advance themselves.

Let us also eliminate all references to Malcolm X (a convict) and Martin Luther King Jr. (a serial womanizer) as they too obviously do not possess the moral high ground to have streets or public buildings named after them.

OR! Actually spend some tax dollars to create a well balanced, fair account of these and other historical figures - not through the colored lenses of today's values, but rather to true circumstances that surrounded them during the period they lived and made an impact on our lives today. This would be a much more valuable discourse than trying to jam CRT down our student's throats.

I would appreciate knowing that this email was received and read by the task force.

Regards,
Philip Brooks
American taxpayer

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Name Change

EB

Edward Bumgardner <edbumgardner1@cox.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 5:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Do NOT change street names, would be too confusing.

Edward L Bumgardner

Dunn Loring

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Lee Highway

CC

Connie Childress <cac77@verizon.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 1:51 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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NO! The name should NOT be changed!

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Renaming Lee Highway (Rte 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Rte 50)

J

jimclapper41@clapperenterprises.net

Sun 11/7/2021 5:43 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: clappersue@gmail.com

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I believe these two highways should be renamed.

JR Clapper

5366 Ashleigh Road, Fairfax, VA, 22030

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Road Renaming

LC

Linda L. Collins <llc0655@aol.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 7:06 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear Taskforce,

As a life-long Fairfax County resident and whose family was in Fairfax County before it was a county, I strongly feel that the roads names should be left as they are and funds/costs that would be used to change the road names be used to fund underfunded programs and establish new programs that would have a greater affect on all residents of the county.

The costs could be great as new roads signs would be needed, maps and gps software would need to be changed as well as legal documents and other documents would need to be changed to reflect the change in road names. Since the county is proposing this change the associated costs to businesses and residents who reside on the roads should be borne by Fairfax County.

There are more important issues that Fairfax County should be focusing on and spending funds on then renaming roads and buildings.

Sincerely,

Linda

Linda Collins
LLC0655@aol.com

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Do Not Change Name of Lee Hwy....

TO: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Confederate Names Task Force

please do not change the name of Lee Hwy...using a racial agenda to rename roads which is ridiculous and costs the tax payers money...

the name Lee Hwy is named after the Lee Family.....not necessarily Robert E. Lee...stop using the crutch of racism and "One Fairfax" to spend more of the taxpayers dollars...

Just hiring the consultants for the "One Fairfax" cost how much....?
word has it "way too much " six figures???

use this money for our school and children's needs, instead of pushing crazy ideas like tearing our history apart...which BTW divides us further....

[Dan Lee](#) from Southeast Fairfax City reacted to your reply:

"It seems that the name Lee Hwy has been around since the 1920's...The original Lee Family that came to the colonies has origins dating back into the 1600's

"The Lee Highway was a national auto trail in the United States, connecting New York City[dubious – discuss] and San Francisco, California, via the South and Southwest. After receiving a letter on January 15, 1919, from Dr. Samuel Myrtle Johnson of Roswell, New Mexico, David Carlisle Humphreys of Lexington, Virginia, put out a call for a meeting in Roanoke, Virginia, to form a new national highway association. On December 3, 1919, five hundred men from five states met in Roanoke to officially form the Lee Highway Association. The highway, which also carries the U.S. 29 designation, was named Lee Highway in the 1920s."

Jul 18, 2021"

--

Kathleen C. Cooker SMCapital, LLC

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Name change

JC

Jennifer Cotton <mizcotton@icloud.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 12:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please change the name from Lee to something less offensive. Also please stop using Robert E. Lee or Confederate license plates in the state of Virginia.

Jennifer Cotton
Falls Church, Virginia

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Confed Names

DK

D K <deekoal@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 6:20 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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My family resides in Fairfax Cnty and we support renaming Rtes 29 and 50.
Thanks for taking the initiative.
DK

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Highway Names

MD

M Scott Downing <no1cheapskate@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 4:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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No, do **not** change the names.

Give the bleeding heart liberals
who want to rewrite history a
one-way map to Maryland with
no instructions as to how to get
back to the Commonwealth!

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Suggestions re: Routes 29 & 50, for Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force

back to Little River Turnpike makes logical sense.

3B.) The name Warrenton Pike tells you where the road goes.

While the names are not very inspiring, **this option makes the most practical sense.**

Part 4: Combinations & Variations

Two variations of the above are worth mentioning.

4.A) Warrenton Pike (Rt 29) & Potomac-Shenandoah Pike (Rt 50)

This replaces Confederate names on both roads and has the practical property of describing their destinations (as discussed in Parts 2 & 3).

4.B) Kearny-Stevens Memorial Highway (Rt 29) & Potomac-Shenandoah Pike (Rt 50)

This replaces Confederate names with a lovely alternative for Rt 50, as discussed in Part 2, and commemorates U.S. Army heroism at the Battle of Ox Hill, while compensating for over-development on the historic site, as discussed in Part 1.

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Thank you for considering the above options, as well as the many thousands of other submissions that you are collecting.

If I had to pick one, my personal favorite is 4.B.

Please feel free to contact me for any reason.

FYI - some relevant references are listed below.

Sincerely,

Chuck Gumas
12386 Falkirk Dr.
Fairfax, VA 22033
703-304-8941

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Renaming of Lee Highway & Lee Jackson Highway

RH

Richard Harshman <outlook_2EEC66B92BB7BA22@outlook.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 4:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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We feel strongly that the current Highways that include confederate names should Remain Unchanged. As long time Fairfax residents we appreciate Virginia history and see the expense to change historical markers & streets as waste of tax revenue.

Sincerely,

Myra & Richard Harshman

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Thoughts on renaming roads in Fairfax

MH

Michael Harvey <jmh_moscow@hotmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 3:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear Task Force Members:

My roots are in Connecticut. After serving as a US Foreign Service Officer (RET), my family and I moved to Fairfax City, Virginia for the first time after living abroad for some 25 years. We were struck with the frequency of the name LEE marking streets, highways and other locations. We were surprised that our local high school recently had a mascot called “Rebel” and the high school was on “Rebel Run.” A neighbor, originally from England, pointed out two cannon in front of the historic Fairfax Court House in 2019 and wryly remarked, “they are still pointed north.” When I studied the Civil War in Connecticut, it seemed very long ago and decided. After moving to Northern Virginia, I realized that the Civil War was just yesterday for many long-time residents here.

I attended two or three of the discussions sponsored by Fairfax City and George Mason University and learned a great deal about the “lost cause”, Virginia’s new state constitution adopted in the early 1900s that was in effect until 1971, and southern heritage. After the killing of George Floyd and other innocent black people, the nation saw more dramatically how brutally many black people are treated by police. To my dismay as an American patriot, I see that black people have suffered injustice and continue to suffer it long after the Civil War, indeed, long after Martin Luther King was assassinated. I also see more clearly how twisted the story of the “lost cause” is. Just around the corner from where I live in Fairfax City, one man has a truck with a sticker on it featuring a Confederate flag and the words: “fighting terrorists since 1860.”

Therefore, I am in support of removing Confederate officer names from all public roads, streets, public buildings (schools, libraries, hospitals, etc) and highways in Virginia. I am in favor of renaming Rt. 29 after John R. Lewis, a true patriot and civil rights leader. However, history should not be erased: that would be an all too Soviet approach. I think that drivers should clearly see in large letters John Lewis Highway. And on monuments at the start of 29 near DC and at the end, near a location significant to John Lewis or the Civil Rights movement should say something like: The People of Fairfax County (or State of Virginia) changed the name from Lee Hgwy to John Lewis Highway in 2021 to celebrate a leader of U.S. Civil Rights and to halt the exaltation of Confederate Officers who attempted to divide the United States in an attempt to preserve slavery. The People of the United States are committed to learning from our history and moving forward together to make our Union a more perfect one. ”

Regarding the decision to remove the two Confederate cannon facing north from the historic Fairfax Courthouse: fine. However, the small obelisk that stood between them did not glorify the southern rebellion but stated that the first (officer) casualty of the Civil War fell a short distance from the monument. That is an important marker for historians and citizens who love history. That too was taken away, and I think that it was not wise to erase such a marker. I hope the County will return it, perhaps not to its place in front of a courthouse, but closer to the actual spot where Officer Marr was killed in Fairfax City, or to the small museum in Fairfax City. I think that John Moseby should be removed from streets and subdivisions and of course public schools, but signs that give information about his famous raid and that point to the spot where it occurred are again, matters of history and those markers in Fairfax City should remain to preserve history.

Wishing the task force wisdom and success,
James Michael Harvey
Fairfax City Resident

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Rte 29 & Rte 50 name change

K

K <ichimura.kealii@yahoo.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 3:33 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Fibonacci Day

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Hello,

Please do not change the names of the Highways. Gen Lee was a great Virginian. Perceived notions of "racism" should not taint the fact that Gen Lee fought for the State he loved. Washing away history is not the answer.

-Kealii

Sent from my Blackberry

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Feedback Request for Possible Route 29 and Route 50 renaming

DJ

David Jacks <dtjacks1@verizon.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 6:51 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback.

I don't give out directions using names. I use route numbers. I recommend you drop the names entirely.

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway

CK

Chang-Je Kim <misook@peoplepc.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 5:59 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Fibonacci Day

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Hello,
We, party of 4 are absolutely against renaming those!
Do not rename, keep the original as the history sake!

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Route 29 and Route 50.

RK

rosanne kosson <rkosson@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 1:11 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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No, these highways should not be renamed. That is absurd and counter-productive. We all have to take a couple of steps back and see/remember the big picture. After the Civil War, certain things were named after famous people of the Confederacy as a gesture of reconciliation, because the South had lost the war, to re-unite the whole USA as one country. These names and monuments are symbols that we have to stay and work together. Everyone knows that the North won and that slavery is wrong. Leave the roads alone and move forward. For the future, we have to stop naming things after people. Highways and streets can have numbers instead. Streets and buildings, even parks and shopping centers, can be named after animals and plants, to focus attention on endangered species, or natural phenomena or virtues or what people strive for in life (peace, cooperation, success, understanding). Seriously, this is not the time to alienate and repudiate more people in your own state.

rkosson@gmail.com

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Re Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

TL

Thomas Larsen <outlook_6D6DF7CFD224B68A@outlook.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 1:31 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Forget it!

Robert E. Lee was a great American long before he reluctantly accepted leadership of the Confederate Army because Virginia was his native state.

Thomas Larsen

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Considerations

history, culture, and sense-of-self is near akin to something from the 1930s - do YOU want to be a part of the continued efforts to stoke divisions and continue attacks against a segment of the population? Do YOU want to contribute to what will likely result in a backlash that could have catastrophic, possibly violent, results?

- I am a retired military officer who is also a federal civil servant - and I am also the descendant of several Confederate soldiers (yeoman farmers, not slave owners, for those who make the distinction), and I am horrified that ALL links to the war are being destroyed. It makes sense, in some cases, for room to be made for other statues, plaques, and commemorative events. That should be IN ADDITION to those standing - to which most rational people would make no objection, as there is room for all of us. The way that this movement is going, however, is causing deep resentment that will NOT heal divisions, but only inflame them.

- For the sake of "unity" - which is what the current administration (federal and local) purports to want - efforts such as these will not end in a good place. It may not be evident today, tomorrow, or even in the coming years, but it will backfire at some point, and I urge you to consider that future. History is not changed by the bureaucratic pen, and can only lead to simmering resentments that will, at some point, boil over.

Again, I urge you to consider that there are those of us who object to the efforts of our ancestors being destroyed due to a narrative with which we disagree. Also, as someone who feels strongly about retaining names, yet making place for new recognitions and incorporation of other Americans who created the shared history of the area, state, region, and country, I would like to volunteer to contribute, if there is room for voices such as mine. I would have made this offer sooner, but was unaware of this effort until I received a flyer in the mail Friday (5 November).

Thank you for taking the time to read this email.

Respectfully,

Trevor Laurie

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Re renaming Lee-Jackson Highway

GL

Gerry Lemnah <glemnah@yahoo.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 1:09 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I can't believe anyone would entertain this idea. You people can't erase history. Get over yourselves and stop wasting our tax money on frivolous things like renaming streets that have names that upset a few citizens who think a NAME will hurt them. Grow up you bunch of sissies.

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Change

KL

Kim Lewis <kml2310@yahoo.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 7:18 AM

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Fibonacci Day

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Hello,

As a resident of Fairfax County, I vote yes to the name change as we should not celebrate traitors to our country.

Regards,
Kim Lewis

Sent from my iPhone
703.655.6137

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Street names

DL

Diane Lobasso <dll201@verizon.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 12:14 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Leave them alone and shame on you for just mailing postcards, hoping people would throw them away.
Use our money for other projects!!!!

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Renaming streets

RL

Ray Luckenbach <rayluckenbach@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 2:34 PM

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Oppose renaming Lee or Lee Jackson Hwy.

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Route 29 & Route 50 renaming

CM

CHRISTINE MADSEN <christineday.madsen@verizon.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 8:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: CHRISTINE MADSEN <christineday.madsen@verizon.net>

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To Who It May Concern:

I received a card in the mail requesting my response to whether or not to rename Rout 29 & Route 50 in Fairfax County.

My response is "No"

The cost would be high to the businesses, signs etc.

This is a heavy populated area with many businesses on both roads. I feel, if we have access money to spend, it should be spent helping people who may be homeless and Re-integrating people on government assistance who want to work but can't work full time and some fear trying to work as they are disabled and if they try and can't continue they will have to start all over again signing up for benefits.

Thank you,
Christine

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Lee Highway

M

marckcrpntr@verizon.net

Sun 11/7/2021 6:09 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please let some things be and keep the name. Like or not, good or bad they still played a
Hugh role in the histories of Virginia and the Nation.

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Voting

B

barbaramarple@msn.com

Sun 11/7/2021 3:57 AM

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Fibonacci Day

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My vote is against changing the names of these highways. Too expensive and money is better spent on maintaining those roads.

Respectfully
Barbara Marple

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To Whom it May Concern:

TM

Tom McCrary <tmccrary91@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 3:19 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am not in favor of changing the name of Lee Highway of Lee-Jefferson Memorial Highway. They are names important to the history of Virginia. Both men served our country honorable before the Civil War. We can not erase history. The best we can do is to hope to learn from history, understand it, and with God's help improve upon our forefathers' mistakes while we plead for mercy for our own mistakes.

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Changing name of Lee Highway

PN

Peggy Newhall <p.newhall27@gmail.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 1:59 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I DO NOT want you to change the name of Lee Highway. The South was not a foreign country trying to take over the North. It was two sides of the same family - country- with two different view points. Jackson and Lee were both fine Christian men who were trying to live right. Lee did a lot for this country after the war. You cannot change the past by changing the name.

Margaret H. Newhall

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Name Changes

T

tw.parker01@gmail.com

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PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE THE NAMES.

THERE ARE MORE IMPORTANT CRITICAL THINGS TO NAVIGATE AND REQUIRE ATTENTION AND FINANCES!!!

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Rename Lee Hwy?

R

rutherforda@verizon.net

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello, I think Rt 29 and Rt 50 should NOT be renamed! The current cancel culture is becoming like the book "1984". These people were part of our history, good, bad or otherwise. If we wipe out everything about the Confederacy, then will we wipe out the history of slavery, or the Holocaust? Roads or places named after confederates should remind us that this was a dire and also important period in our history. On the up side, President Lincoln had the vision to realize that the country needed to stay united. thx,
Anne

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Renaming of HWY

JS

Jaime Sanchez <jmes358@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force











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To the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors,
I am opposed to the establishment of a Task Force on Confederate Road Names as is proposed for the Board of Supervisors Meeting on July 13th. The establishment of such a task force is detrimental for the following reasons:

It erases history.

Such a task force is already biased and will likely recommend the removal of Confederate road names as seen by the fact the the task force has an NAACP member but no member of a Confederate heritage group or Confederate veterans descendants group.

Given that the likely outcome is the removal of the Confederate road names, such an move would be a grave act of disrespect to the thousands of Virginia and Fairfax County veterans who fought for Virginia and the Confederacy and are represented and honored by Robert E Lee and Stonewall Jackson, whose names are likely to be removed given the biased and unbalanced membership of the task force.
In addition to the Virginia and Fairfax County Confederates who would be dishonored by the changing of the Confederate Road signs, 30,000 Native Americans and several thousand Hispanics who fought for the Confederacy, as well as their descendants, would be dishonored by the removal of Lee and Jackson as these great generals are not only given reverence by the roads signs, but so are their soldiers and anyone who served in the Confederate forces who looked up to or were inspired by these honorable Virginia veterans.

It is part of a continuation of Critical Race Theory(CRT) in local government with the goal of vilifying White Americans and dividing this country along the lines of race.

Renaming these roads is a continuation of the leftist movement of erasing history and names following such examples as the renaming of Saigon to Ho Chi Minh City by leftist Vietnamese communists on which subject many Vietnamese refugees in this community resent.

The cost to change road names will be shouldered by both the Fairfax County tax payer, as the state will not pay for the cost, and individual residents and businesses who will have to change any signage or material bearing their current addresses.

Isn't this the same thing the Taliban are doing?

Sincerely,

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Input on renaming Lee Jackson Highway

FS

Fred Schulze <faschulze2@outlook.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Lydie Schulze <lydieanne1@hotmail.com>











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- Thank you for soliciting input on this issue.
- We feel the LJ Highway SHOULD be renamed.
- A proposed solution is Colin Powell Memorial Highway.

Thank you,
Frederick and Lydie Schulze
7308 Golden Iris Court
Springfield, VA 22153-1117
Frederick A. Schulze II (Fred)
(202) 760-7176

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Lee Highway

ES

Eleanor Shumaker <egshumaker@gmail.com>

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Please change the name of this highway. Virginia's worship of Robert E. Lee needs to end. There are many brave and important Virginians that would better represent a modern Virginia. Thank you, Eleanor Shumaker

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Rename Segregationist-Named Highways

DS

David Stockhoff <dstockhoff@verizon.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 1:19 AM

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I am writing to weigh in on the issue of highways in the Commonwealth of Virginia that are named after pro-slavery warriors and politicians.

Virginia is no longer a pro-slavery state. We must reject treason, racism, the myth of the Lost Cause, and segregationism once and for all.

David Stockhoff

Annandale, VA 22003

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Roads

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Diane Thompson <dianebeverly13@yahoo.com>

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My two cents worth.

CW

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I have followed the activities leading to the suggested changes of several road names. In my view, this is a very costly and confusing reaction to a bigger problem. Renaming these roads is not going to stop the problem some people have with these names. I'm very frustrated that so many people, including our government officials in many cases, seem to think that changing the name of some roads will positively impact their feelings of the negative connotations of these names. The costs of such an act will be much more than just the manufacturing and placing of new signs. All of the software and hardware, maps, brochures, etc. affected by such an act would be very large.

Irrespective of our personal views of these individuals and what their names may represent, imposing these very large costs and inconveniences on all the affected citizens is just not warranted and not wise.

I urge the Task Force members to consider deeply the costs and benefits tradeoff of this issue. And, please keep in mind that this action will inevitably be followed by other similar actions. Taking the first step will lead to an unknowable number of follow on, special interest requests which will be hard to deny if this first step is taken.

Dr. C . J. Waylan, USN retired

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Road name changes - No

JW

Jim Whitescarver <JWhitescarver@ce-hvac.com>

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To whom it may concern- I do not agree with the idea of changing road names associated with great generals of our civil war historical past. The fact that they were slave holders or supported southern economic realities of the times do not make them any less worthy of their place in history or deserved of being erased by today's liberal movement. It has become even more paramount now to protect our historical heritage and provide balance to out society. I grew up believing in our constitution and the general balance of power afforded by our 3 branches of government. The changing of road names will only contribute more to divisiveness and anger which seems to drive the liberal left. Please pay attention to out recent governor election here in Virginia and leave well enough alone. Thank you, Jim Whitescarver

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Confederate Names Task Force-Changing names of Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

TW

Tammy Williams <twilliams1232017@outlook.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 3:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To whom it may concern,

First of all, I find it ridiculous that time and money has been spent to create a Confederate Names Task Force. I'm sure that there are much better ways to spend taxpayer money and our elected officials' time.

I am native to Northern Virginia (there aren't many of us still here). Please stop listening to these activists that hate Virginia and America. The amount of time, effort, and money required to change the names of any roads, buildings, etc. for a few people that "claim" to be offended is utterly ridiculous. I think it's less about someone being offended and more about transformation of a county, state, country. What will be the next issue? It never ends. You may not agree with their next complaint and proposed resolution.

Maybe we should revisit every street name in Fairfax county. Research the origin of each name and let the voters decide if the name should be changed or stay the same. I'm sure someone would find an issue, whether legitimate or not, with most names.

It would be nice if our elected officials would focus on real issues. Maybe preventing over-development, fixing the public schools, fiscal conservatism, crime. What would the results be if people today started really looking into the ethics, morality, and lifestyle of our current elected officials. My guess would be that few, if any, would be able to withstand the scrutiny.

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Suggestion for renaming Rte. 29 and 50:

TW

Tom Wilson <wilsonline@verizon.net>

Sun 11/7/2021 6:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

Being a long time resident of Northern Virginia, I have always referred to these roads as being Rte. 50 and Rte. 29, and probably always will. Simply signing these roads as 29 and 50 may be the most noncontroversial solution.

But these two roads and others were main arteries to the New Frontier long *before* the Civil War and had names just like Leesburg Pike and Old Carolina Road (Rte. 15). Why can't we retrieve these old famous historical names and re-use them?

From Wikipedia:

Route 29 has also been called the Bill-Beth Highway, as it was the name of the children of the original highway developer.

U.S. Route 50 enters the state from the West Virginia border, (...) and carrying the name of Northwest Turnpike.

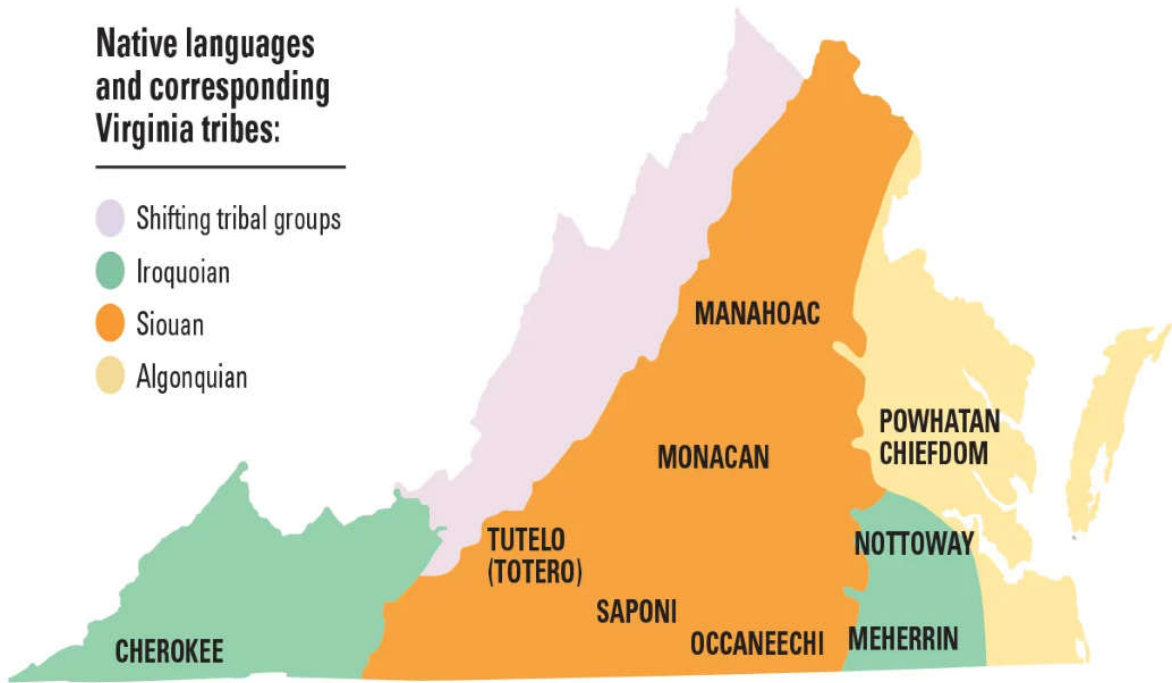
Thank you and good luck on your quest.

= *Tom Wilson* =

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Native languages and corresponding Virginia tribes:

- Shifting tribal groups
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changing significant road names

RF

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I totally don't get the rationale for this endeavor. Changing road names does not change history. Virginia has a less than honorable history in the emancipation of slaves. Changing road names won't change that. Stop the madness. Quit trying to rewrite history by uprooting statues and changing road names.

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Renaming Rt. 29 and Rt. 50

MH

Michael Hoover <mcduff7916@yahoo.com>

Sun 11/7/2021 10:02 PM

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It is time to rename these roads, which currently honor two men who, in rejecting the outcome of the 1860 election, rejected our Constitution, sought to continue the enslavement of millions of fellow humans, and made war on the legitimate government of the United States, killing 600,000+ Americans in the process.

However, renaming these roads for other persons, regardless of their merits, will always cause controversy, as no human is perfect and all historical figures have done, written, or said something that will be objectionable to someone.

Turning back the clock and restoring the name “Little River Turnpike” to the entire length of Rt 50 in Fairfax County appears to me to be entirely appropriate, and something that would be hard for anyone to object to. As for Rt. 29, naming it for a town that the road goes to, such as Gainesville or Culpepper, would avoid the “imperfect people” issue (unless Mr. Gainesville or Culpepper were themselves lousy people by our standards).

M.D. Hoover
Springfield, VA

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Please KEEP the current names for Route 29 and 50.

Thank you

Camille Ng

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Do not change Confederate names.

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Taylor <taylor@aya.yale.edu>

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Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

JT

Jared Taylor <taylor@amren.com>

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Please do not change the names.

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Comments on Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway - via email

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rossallen@sent.com

Mon 11/8/2021 2:13 PM

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Evelyn Spain, Chair
Confederate Names Task Force, Fairfax County Department of Transportation
4050 Legato Road, Suite 400, Fairfax, VA 22033

November 8, 2021

Dear Chair Spain,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on proposals to change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway in Fairfax. I recently relocated to Northern Virginia and appreciate the thoughtful efforts to evaluate our shared history in light of the future we want to build. I am writing to oppose renaming these highways.

Lee and Jackson under his command fought for the wrong side in the Civil War: Virginia's side. So our future should recognize Virginia's past, observing the Commonwealth's role in the most tumultuous time in American history. Robert Lee and Thomas Jackson were among the most influential leaders in our history and it is appropriate to observe that.

Lee recanted his loyalty oath to the Confederate States of America after the war and did swear allegiance to the United States. He was posthumously returned to citizenship, a reflection of the respect Virginians have felt for him for more than 160 years. Jackson died before he had a chance to reverse his rebellion, but there can be little doubt he would have joined Lee and the multitude of Army of Northern Virginia soldiers who returned to peaceful life after the war.

Some argue that these place names celebrate the legacy of slavery its defense at arms. Instead, place names observe the importance of history's pivotal characters and their messy, conflicted reality. We celebrate Werner von Braun's advances in rocketry for NASA, while recognizing his work on V1 rockets defended a ghastly regime. We celebrate General, then President, Eisenhower, whose order to kill certain German soldiers as they surrendered was very likely an unprosecuted war crime. We celebrate President Franklin Roosevelt, who ordered thousands of Americans of Asian descent into concentration camps during World War II.

Fairfax County is named for notorious slave trader Lord Fairfax. George Washington, for whom Washington DC and Washington state are named, was a slaver. Thomas Jefferson owned slaves but also founded the Library of Congress and the University of Virginia.

The list of Virginians who owned slaves or fought with the Confederates to preserve it is too long to recount. History is messy and we can absolutely observe that messy history without celebrating all the values of our past. We do not have to erase history to repudiate the worst of it.

What to do about Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway then? We are not celebrating insurrection with those names – surely our area has the highest share of Federal workers in the country! We are not celebrating slavery with those names – slavery and racism are universally repugnant in the developed world. We are not celebrating the deaths of 700,000 Americans in a meat-grinder of a war. These names observe pivotal characters in one of our nation's most dramatic and important crises. The names are a reminder that our Commonwealth was once on the losing side, the wrong side, of that war. That this important event happened and real people fought and died in it.

As a practical matter, I wonder how much the Fairfax task force's recommendation would have. Many in the region refer to these highways by their route numbers already. The roads themselves wind through the Commonwealth and other jurisdictions will have their own naming processes. New signage is expensive and there will be substantial costs to residents and the county for revisions.

Less expensive and more impactful would be contextual signage along these highways, explaining how messy history has been and reality still is.

With this in mind, I ask that the task force retain the current names for Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway, but provide additional context and educational outreach around those names. History is messy and we would do well to understand that messiness to better understand our own time within the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

Ross Allen

PO Box 6106, Falls Church, VA 22040

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No to changes!

JA

John Anderson <janderso00@yahoo.com>

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Any tax funding that would be used for changing street names in Fairfax County should be allocated to First Responder agencies so the expense will provide a useful and necessary benefit to public safety of county residents..

“Feel Good” projects should only be initiated based on donations from private entities and should be done only after sufficient funds have been received.

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Renaming of Rt 29 and Rt 50

KA

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Dear Task Force,

I DO NOT think these roads should be renamed for the following reasons:

1. Like it or not, the civil war was part of our history. Erasing these names is equal to erasing part of our history.
2. I believe the change would create an undue financial burden for businesses on those roads. They would have to bear the cost of changing their advertising on line and on paper. This could be very expensive and really a burden on businesses after the burdens they faced with COVID.
3. Keeping the names makes it easier for 911 staff to find the place they have to respond to as they would already be familiar with the present names.
4. I think our county government should be spending their resources of time, personal and money on more important matters like the condition of the roads, education, healthcare, and safety.

Thanks for letting me express my concerns. I say it again...please do not change the names of RT 50 and RT 29.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Annulli

Fairfax county resident since 1983

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Just call the roads by their Route Numbers! Stop wasting time and money!

EA

Ellen Ash <ellenash@cox.net>

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I feel there is a better use of finances than changing names.

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Please leave our roads names the same.
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I have lived within a couple miles of Lee Highway for 60 years. Not once did Lee Highway and my knowledge of the Civil War make me think any less of my black brothers and sisters.
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Renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

MB

Marietta Bernot <bernomari@gmail.com>

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These generals were an important part of our history as a State and as a county. Removing names and statues accomplishes nothing and serves more to divide people. It also removes the impetus for finding out more about our history during those times and understanding why people did what they did. Nobody learns if you wipe out any trace of history. Marietta Bernot

By the way, you apparently cannot take the online survey unless you live along Route 50 or Lee Highway. You should make that clear.

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Name change

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Do not change the names of Lee Hwy and Lee/Jefferson Highway

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Marc Bonarigo <marc91@vt.edu>

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Name change on highway 29/50

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Please Leave the names alone!!! Are we tearing down historical monuments and changing names for what purpose exactly????? Who is that going to make happy? Who would that be useful to? Instead of blaming these dead people who, whether right or wrong, were a product of their generation, environments, politics, and by the way were following orders, why don't we look at what the real problem is....Values, contribution to your family, your self, community and society. We are not going to change history and what happened no matter how many monuments we tear down and how many names we change... let's not confuse what makes us feel better, or what is politically correct or en Vogue, let's not jump on this bandwagon that is so glaringly not genuine, with what is truly important. Let's just not settle for the "consolation prize" in place of making true progress, with important changes that matter to all!

Should we tear down the Colosseum because they killed Christians in it? Should we destroy auschwitz because we do not like what it represents? Instead of looking at it and remembering how dark and ugly at times human history can be, why don't we commit to never let that happen again.

It is asinine, to spend good tax payer's money to change names, to what common good? I am a tax payer in Fairfax County and I strongly disagree with this measure. It is offensive to me, a ridiculous and divisive bribe to appease! Why not spend this money where it would really be useful! Schools, communities that need it, programs that would help teens children and others that are at risk.

No matter what we do, no matter how many statues and work of art we remove/destroy, nor how many street, highways or names of buildings we are going to change, we cannot change history, nor should we forget it or "cancel" it from our memory, because "it just feels good"...All we can hope as a collective is to remember that history, and to work together to never repeat the mistakes of the past!

Respectfully,

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Proposed name change for Rt. 29/211 and Rt. 50

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Dear Task Force,

I would support leaving the names of the two roads as they are instead of making any changes.

Thank you for your service.

Robert Brown

Great Falls, Va.

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Changing names of Routes 29 and 50.

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I vote "NO" to changing names.

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Renaming Rt. 29 and Rt. 50

BB

Bruce G. Burton <bgalburt@verizon.net>

Mon 11/8/2021 2:04 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear Sirs:

As a rule, I oppose the current trend to hold 18th and 19th Century figures to 20th Century standards. These figures of our past were men and women of their times, and erasing them from our historical memory also erases their contributions to a better world, and they made many despite what we now see as terrible flaws.

That being said, I applaud the effort to rename these two highways. Both Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson betrayed the oaths they gave to their country when they attended West Point and contributed to the deaths of half a million Americans and irreparable harm to many more. They don't deserve to be honored. Hence my suggestions below (which I also entered in the online survey).

Rt. 29 – Fairfax Warrenton Highway, Fairfax Turnpike, or U.S. Grant Highway:

Why Fairfax-Warrenton Turnpike or Fairfax Turnpike? Civil War era maps show the current Rt. 29 through Centreville and Gainesville as the Warrenton Turnpike. Why U.S. Grant Highway? He won, after all. If you want to stick it to Robert E. Lee, what better way to do it than rename the road after the man who defeated him?

Rt. 50 – Little River Turnpike, American Highway or National Highway:

Why Little River Turnpike? Civil War era maps show the section of what is now Rt. 50 west of Fairfax City as Little River Turnpike, so you would just restore the original name (Rt. 236 from I-95 to Fairfax would retain the name Little River Turnpike). The section of US 50 from Rosslyn to Fairfax would remain Arlington Boulevard. Why American or National Highway? US 50 runs from Maryland to Sacramento, and Fairfax County can rightly claim its share of a truly national road.

Sincerely,

Bruce G. Burton

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Please change the names

EC

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Please changes the name. I will be very happy.

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changing the names of roads

GC

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PLEASE STOP TRYING TO PLEASE CERTAIN PEOPLE BY CHANGING THE NAMES OF ROADS, STREETS, ETC. HISTORY WILL SOON BE FORGOTTEN. SOON MOUNT VERNON WILL NO LONGER BE ASSOCIATED WITH GEORGE WASHINGTON.

Gloria Canter

C 703-966-1602

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Street Names

HC

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Mon 11/8/2021 11:59 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I am in favor of Fairfax using county resources to substantively improve the lives of Black families, especially Black children. Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway does not do this. It is performance art, a waste of time and money designed to appear do something beneficial as opposed to actually doing what's necessary. San Francisco leads the country in this sort of pretense. How's that working out for them?

Topping the list of substantive actions Fairfax County should take is the creation of one or more new high schools, equivalent in academic rigor to TJ, to extend maximum academic opportunity to ALL the high-achieving or potentially high-achieving kids – especially Black kids - currently excluded from TJ. This would offer real diversity, real inclusion, real opportunity, and real substance - not performance art via renaming things. Name the first new school after Frederick Douglass. That is what the confederate names task force should be doing. Everything else is a waste of time and money. Full of sound and fury, signifying nothing.

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Change of names for US 29 & 50

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Message

I am against the change proposal. The men these roads are named after fought for their state and states' rights. One hundred and sixty years ago they lived in a society that accepted slavery as did the founders of our nation (Washington, Jefferson, etc). Today, we rightfully do not accept slavery. However, to judge people in the past using today's moral measures is totally wrong. Renaming these highways will not change history- it happened.

What is the cost to the county and its residents to change the names of major arteries? What benefit does that cost deliver? Are we like ISIS and the Taliban in trying to eradicate all that doesn't match their beliefs?

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Lee name changes

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Is there is a survey or way to regurgitated my agreement with proposals to change from Robert E Lee to something else please tell me where or mark me in favor of such proposals.

Thanks,

Steve con Christierson

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Do Not Rename 29 / 50

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I believe subject roads should be renamed. Thank you. - L.Cotto

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History is history

Use the money for more important things

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Renaming

SD

Sharon Driscoll <shardriscoll@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 1:48 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To Whom It May Concern,

Please do not rename Lee Highway. It will cost businesses a good deal of money to change letterhead stationary, business cards, window address decals, and the like. In addition to the already messed up Mail and package delivery system (caused by COVID-19), there will likely be additional delays due to changes of address. Remember our Virginia economy relies on successful business -- we don't need another hit.

Thanks for listening!

God Bless,

Sharon Driscoll
The Paschal Lamb
11214 Lee Highway
Fairfax, Virginia 22030
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Names of Highways

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Carol VG <mcvangilst@gmail.com>

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Hello,

If you do rename the highways, I'd like to request you do not name them after people.

For example, it's helpful in directions to be on Arlington Blvd or Leesburg Pike.

Lee Highway could be renamed Centreville Pike.

Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway could be renamed Chantilly Highway.

Thank you for considering my suggestions.

Sincerely,

Carol Dunlap Van Gilst

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Springfield, VA 22153

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Confederate Names Changes

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Sirs;

I do not support changing the names of any of these roads to try to change history. It won't work.

I believe that this whole effort is the action or result of an outside political agenda. It is another case of some group creating a problem where there was none.

Please don't do it.

Ned Evans

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Confederate Names on Everything should be removed

JF

John R Feroldi <jferoldi@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 4:32 PM

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Confederate names are Democrat names - Jim Crowe laws, George Wallace, Robert KKK Byrd, etc. were all Democrat. So anything that is Democrat has origins with the Confederacy and should be removed and cast inside a museum for our children to study. Confederates = Democrats

v/r,

John

703-855-1156

"You can't reach beyond your grasp if you are shackled by men who want to replace God with a One World Government. If government replaces God, then from whom or what are you forced to seek guidance?" - Joe Bastardi

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I oppose doing away with our confederate names. That is a part of our beloved country's history, like it or not. Rewriting that history solves nothing.

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Message

I am opposed to the wholesale renaming of Fairfax and Virginia historical venues. History is what it is and governmental, military, and political leaders were products of and reflected the values of society at a given period. Once this starts, where will it end? I live in Lee District.

I live near Mason Neck and George Mason University. I often travel the nearby George Washington Parkway and have visited the George Washington National Forest. Many of my friends were graduates of or had family graduate from James Madison University. I drive through Madison County on excursions to the Piedmont. My high school was named after James Monroe. How many of our counties are named after English despots or adventurers who explored, governed, or settled the state?

In short, add any caveats or historical post scripts to these venues when mentioned in government documents or publications but do not start the "name change" game as it will never end and in the process we destroy the actual history of our Commonwealth.

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway Names

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Message

I urge that you do not change the names of these two highways. Lee and Jackson were great Americans and are an important part of our history. Let's not try to change what was to satisfy one segment of our society. I am a veteran of WWII, Korea and Vietnam, having served in the US Army Corps of Engineers (1945-1973).

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Lee Lee/Jackson hwy renaming

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While name changes fall into the “cancel culture” category, it seems VA is behind most other states in changing the name of Lee Hwy by a number of years. Rather than being part of the “cancel culture”, it is part of VA “catching up with the rest of the country”. We certainly have modern heroes worthy of naming honors, who better reflect the values we hold dear.

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Renaming of Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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Message

I wholeheartedly disagree with the renaming of these highways.

Lets not rename these roadways simply because a minority (sm number) wishes not to accept our past in Northern Virginia.

Are we to rename the state of Virginia, or any other state, because they were simply members of the confederacy?

This is our history...good, bad, or otherwise. But to try and change this history, and force others to forget, is simply an attempt to "cancel" our history all together because a minority constituency of Virginia disagrees with the past. Remember, it was Winston Churchill who said, "Those that fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it." Also, let's not forget the patriotism of these soldiers who fought on behalf of the State of Virginia. In fact, Lee freed his own slaves long before the war began and was opposed to secession, however, his devotion to his native Virginia led him to join the confederacy, even after he was offered command of the Union Armies.

Today's sensibilities of race, religious freedoms, and equalities are not the same as those during the 19th century and we should not hold those of that time to our same standard today.

Are we to rename Washington DC next?

Please register my vote to keep the current names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway as they have been for the past century.

Lee Grassley

Fairfax Station, VA

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Should Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County be renamed?

LG

Lewis Grimm <lggrimm@aol.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 3:00 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Lewis Grimm <lggrimm@aol.com>



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Dear Sir or Madam,

I would like to offer the following comments for consideration by the Confederate Names Task Force as to whether or not the two subject sections of public roadway should be renamed.

As a resident of Fairfax County since 1975, I have regularly traveled the subject sections of both Route 29 and Route 50 in the course of my personal and professional travels. While I am in general agreement with the proposed action by the Fairfax County Government to rename these two public roadways, I would like to note several personal concerns regarding the manner in which this action would be taken.

It is my personal opinion that any and all planning, design, construction, and administrative costs that may be associated with this action be incurred solely and completely by the Fairfax County Government, and not by any other legal entity of the Commonwealth of Virginia. In particular, I do not believe that any of the costs associated with this activity should be incurred by the Virginia Department of Transportation, an agency whose finances are already being stretched thin to appropriately accommodate the basic operations and maintenance costs related to one of the most complex networks of public highways in the state. The costs associated with this action for the replacement of all street name and directional / [wayfinding](#) signs along all local and collector streets, arterial highways, parkways and interstate highways that may be impacted by this action should be costs incurred only by Fairfax County.

It is also my opinion that any such costs should be generated by a dedicated local revenue stream established solely for this purpose rather than by an internal readjustment of funding already budgeted for use by the Fairfax County Department of Transportation on other transportation agency functions. Since any such revenue generation action would likely require a formal action to be taken by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, such an action should be fully publicized well before the action date, with appropriate public input solicited as to both the amount of funding which may ultimately be required and the manner in which any such new revenues are to be generated and applied to this purpose.

With respect to the actual renaming of these two sections of US Route 29 and US Route 50 in Fairfax County, I would strongly recommend that the proposed "new" names for these route sections be based solely on either the historical route names previously applied to these facilities or the destinations which are being linked by these public roadway sections. Based upon a personal initial review of the historical maps provided on the Fairfax County web site, it would appear that these basic concepts of destination identification and historical precedence were previously applied to the names of these roadways. The section of U.S. Route 29 in Fairfax County which is today named "Lee Highway" appears to have been known during the early to mid-1800s as the "[Warrenton](#) Turnpike". Similarly, the section of U.S. Route 50 in Fairfax County which is today named "Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway" appears to have been previously identified as the "Little River Turnpike." I would thus personally recommend that those historical route names be reapplied to the subject sections of these two highways in Fairfax County.

What I would most strongly not suggest is that any other personal name be either formally considered or recommended for application to either of these two routes. With the current names applied to Route 29 and Route 50 being deemed to be inappropriate at this time, there is no assurance that at some future date 50 or 100 years in the future, another group of Fairfax County residents might conclude that the new personal names applied to these public highways by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors in the year 2021 are also inappropriate. Utilizing historical destination place names is viewed as a much more valid rationale for renaming the subject sections of these two public roads than the application of the name of any individual person, living or dead, who may be viewed of interest by a simple majority of the current Board of Supervisors.

If anyone should wish to directly discuss any of these comments with me, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Lewis G. Grimm, P.E.
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Change the Names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Timothy Hale <timothy.hale456@gmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 2:31 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To Whom It May Concern,

Please do change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway as soon as possible. It is disgusting and shameful that these roadways be named after traitorous scum like Lee and Jackson.

Sincerely,

Timothy Hale
Fairfax County Resident

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Thank you for taking up this issue.

First, the streets in question should be renamed. It would be far less confusing for a continuous route to have one name than to assign different names for different sections.

Second, it would be entirely appropriate to have the name "Lee" on a road, but better to link it to the more meaningful Lees in Virginia history, namely Richard Henry Lee and Francis Lightfoot Lee, who were two of the seven VA signors of the Declaration of Independence.

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Confederate Names Task Force Nonsense - Route 29 & 50

RH

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Mon 11/8/2021 9:05 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To: Confederate Names Task Force

I just received the most outrageous postcard from Fairfax County about changing the highway names for route 50 and 29. Why are we paying for this task force and why are you wasting tax payer money? We have roads that have not been paved for years, which are hazardous. We have side roads with no sidewalks for our kids to walk on safely in our (Birch RD) neighborhood. We have many **real issues** that need attention rather than a task force about names. I could care less who is being offended by a name. Many voters are offended with countless things that are being done with our tax dollars. Let's start by not wasting our money and instead fixing roads, signs, sidewalks, and crosswalks. Let's work on improving economic development, public safety, public works and other things that really matter to the residents of this county.

R. B. Hashemi

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Confederate name of roads

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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Message

To whom it may concern: in response to the renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway let me just say that I am not in favor of changing the names. I think it is appalling that people in this county and beyond want to scrub history from this wonderful state by renaming roads, universities, and schools that bear any reminders of Virginia's confederate heritage. I did not personally grow up in this part of the country, but I respect the history that has shaped the complex mid-Atlantic region and its southern affiliation. Renaming roads and tearing down statues is a symptom of something far more sinister at work in this country than the Civil War—Marxist Wokism. What next, tear down statues of Washington and Jefferson? Where does this cultural cleansing end, with Virginia's colonial roots?

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Should Routes 29 and 50 be renamed?

JJ **Jackman Jackie** <meadow_farm@yahoo.com>     ⋮

Mon 11/8/2021 8:51 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To whom it may concern;

Before we go spending precious tax payer dollars on renaming street names, we need to make sure all the school children in Fairfax county have enough to eat, have any medical concerns addressed, are attending school somewhere (or being homeschooled, or enrolled in private schools). I understand that Fairfax county cannot account for a number of students that were in the school system pre-pandemic. Can you be sure of what happened to the missing students? How many abused students were killed by their abuser and then thrown in the county landfill? How many of those students are sitting at home, not learning anything, missing out on hot school lunches, going without medical treatment?

Please lets spend out taxpayer money on pressing problems of today before we blow it on renaming streets that are named for a 19th century war.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jackie Jackman
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No Change!

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I recommend no change to road names in Fairfax County. Any funds saved by eliminating the cost of these changes should be allocated to the first responding agencies in Fairfax County. Let's spend our tax money to support and improve existing crucial agencies.

If "feel good" projects are necessary, it should be paid for via donations from private entities, not dollars.

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Lee Highway

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I am opposed to changing the name of Lee Highway. What a waste of taxpayer money! I can't believe the majority of people want to see this happen. Joan Bowersox

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Renaming

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NO,

DO NOT SPEND THE MONEY AND TIME ON RENAMING STREETS, BUILDINGS, HIGHWAYS BECAUSE
INDIVIDUALS HAVE GONE OUT OF FASHION !!!!

M Judycki

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Whether to Change Names of Lee Highway (U.S. Route 29) & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (U.S. Route 50)

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I do NOT want to change the names of these highways.

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Thanks,

Lindsey

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Message: comments page cannot be accessed With so much rebuilding of structures and roads we loose landmarks that help us find our way in addition to reading signs. American went thru many stages as it grew . All of it informs us how we got to this place , how we grew as people, how our conscious grew and changed and matured. It is important to keep reminders of our history. It is very important for students of History to trace events. There is no need to be ashamed of our past as it informs us of our growth, any more than child being ashamed of it's own growth.

Submitted By: Margaret L Karczewski

Telephone: 703-759-5023

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Not In Favor of Changing Names.. Waste of \$\$\$

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Kathleen <llcsmcapital@gmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 3:53 AM

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While the recent elections in Virginia **MORE** than told the story how the voters and citizen of Fairfax County and the entire state of Virginia, feel about all the ridiculous changes in the VA county schools (CRT) and the garbage associated with this nonsensical verbiage....It is even more of a waste of tax payers money by the changing of street names in Fairfax county. This endeavor is beyond a waste of time....and more importantly a waste of tax dollars. It has been said that a history research group within Fairfax County found over 26,000 racial irregularities ?? are you kidding...who has the time to even research this ??

Do you know that Robert E. Lee did not even want to fight in the Civil War ? he was a Union soldier originally, and when the war started, and had no choice but the fight for the south....since his home was in Virginia.

He never even wanted the statutes erected displaying Confederate patronage. Robert E. Lee had his home taken away at Arlington, had bodies buried in his yard, fought for a war on the southern side because his home happened to be in Virginia and came from a long line of the Lee Family that settled the Tidewater area in the 1600's

Fairfax County please get back in the business of running the county and stop getting involved with politics. Jeff McKay is known for his affiliation with the democratic party...once again people are talking and he is an elected official....2019 was the last election... people are taking notice !!!! more so than ever before....

"One Fairfax" is even a bigger joke. Once again big waste of \$\$... instead of putting big bucks into issues voters do not EVEN WANT, put the money back into the teachers salaries....

Voters do take notice and as you have recently seen, have had **enough** !!

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comments on proposed name changes

PK

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Thank you for the chance to provide feedback on this issue. I also appreciate that you provided a brief history of both roads, although I found myself wishing that more information had been made available!

I do not support a name change. While I certainly have no interest in government action that deliberately hurts feelings, I don't believe the intent of these names falls into that category. In my opinion, intent matters, and I am not aware of any intent to hurt or offend anyone with these names. I certainly remain open to learning more and am open minded on this subject should I be mistaken. But, I believe the disruption and cost of a change would not be a good use of the county's time and resources. I have lived in Virginia my entire life, and have resided in Fairfax County for over 50 years. These roads are known by these names. We don't need more complication and confusion in our lives — and I'm afraid that changing these names would result in just that!

Thank you again for seeking public input and I wish you all the best.

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Input re: the DOT Proposal to rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Hwy

LK

Lou Kershner <kershnerlou@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 1:10 AM

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Task Force Members,

I strongly recommend/support **NO CHANGE** to the designation of Lee Highway (rt 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (rt 50). I am very disappointed that such a name change would be proposed. I am also disappointed that a mailer was received so late in your process, during an election week and with a short response window that certainly hampered public input.

Why the interest in erasing history? How will revoking this honor make things better for Virginians? The cost to make such changes were not disclosed yet you would be remiss if you do not know. Most of the cost and substantial burden of change would be borne by the business owners. There are many needs in the Fairfax community yet the numerous members of this task force choose to focus efforts on changing road signs and dishonoring great leaders. Virtual signaling does not advance the cause of the county.

Please realize that efforts to destroy another's legacy will be your legacy.

Lou Kershner

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In my mind it is inevitable that there will be many name changes. When this occurs, every effort should be made to eliminate any names which are names of persons, living or dead. Naming anything after a person will only perpetuate the problem currently being dealt with now. Humans, by their very nature are imperfect and everyone has something, known or unknown, significant or trivial, that is at some point going to reflect them in a less than positive light.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Kilcoyne

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Confederate names

JK

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When I moved here in 1985, I was surprised and shocked at how many Confederate names were used for public facilities. I think it is time to stop honoring the Confederacy and change the names of these roads.

Diane King

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FW: Confederate Names

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OPA 703Fairfax

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Message:Keep US 29 Lee Highway as is, unchanged. Rename US 50 Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Submitted By: H. Alan Krause
Telephone: 703-965-6517

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Changing any names of roads, highways or schools - no more

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Please stop spending time and money on task forces to change names of roads, buildings and schools. It is not productive and It also only furthers the divide that so many of us have worked to close. We prefer to focus on building in the positive rather than tearing down what some perceive to be negative. The amount of money that has already been spent on these types of activities could have been put to better use and I will not support these wasteful propositions. I would however be in favor of retiring theses task forces. We have serious issues, roads and bridges in disrepair that need to be fixed, gang and crime problems. We could use a task force to address gang violence.

We need to honor our history, not the wrongs that have been done by the people but the right things that have been accomplished. We are extraordinary and we should celebrate it. We can never have one without the other. No human is perfect and not one of us can stand before a mirror and claim they have never made mistakes. Without history people are destined to repeat it. Please stop changing my beautiful community to suit the needs of a few.

My sense of community is being offended and I am becoming disenfranchised, my sense of community and diversity that I so much love and admire about my state and northern Virginia is being destroyed. It really is a slap in the face of those of us who were not here, alive or living, in the time that is apparently so offensive to this invisible group of people I have never met, I have lived here my whole life and survived the racial tensions in the 70's, my high school was a very scary place - but it got better and my older children did not have racism in their school - because we improved. Because people let it improve....be people of positive change not people of negative rehashing and division. What is sad is that their high school diplomas are no longer valid because of the radical "renaming task forces" their memories are wiped out. Yearbooks are worthless and senior pictures are now forgotten. My family deserves to have their memories too. Please stop and see all the good....please stop destroying my home,

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Rename Lee Highway

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Routes 29 & 50

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Dear DOT,

I think Routes 29 & 50 in Fairfax County should be renamed. The current names are inappropriate.

Christopher Lande

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Renaming Highways

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway are names that should be retired. Naming major roads after generals that fought for the cause that would have destroyed the United States makes no sense, and makes the Northern Virginia area (and Fairfax County in particular) look a bit foolish, at best, and ignorant at worst.

The generals were fighting to keep the Confederacy cession alive, thus allowing slavery to continue. It seems most uncaring to "honor" these men by continuing to name major arteries, since we have many citizens with ancestors directly enslaved within the Confederacy. The fact that these highway names have been used for so long, and therefore are "historical" does not overrule the sense of shame that should be felt when using them.

I see no reason to give the roads new names that would honor someone we consider important at this point in time. "Route 29" is an acceptable name until some future date, when it is felt that someone with local ties needs to be honored.

If "Route 50" is not acceptable, you could pick up the "Arlington Boulevard" name for its entire length with much less confusion than it has now, with the list of names it carries. (Admittedly, Loudon County and Fairfax City add to that problem, with "John Mosby Highway," "Main Street," "Fairfax Boulevard" and also "Lee Highway" for where it runs with Route 29.)

Thank you,
William Lazear
Springfield, VA 22150



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Rename highways

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I do believe that the names should be changed. Although the names are historical, the county should not be honoring these men who defended and supported slavery. It is time for our country to move forward and become more inclusive.

I think the names should simply be Rte 50 and Rte 29.

Thank you,
Victoria Lazear

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Comments on Confederate Names...from a Conservative

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Nov 7, 2021

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Members of the Review Commission:

My name is Eli Lehrer. I have lived in Fairfax County for 14 years and, along with my wife, own a home in the Monroe Manor subdivision in the unincorporated portion of Herndon. We are residents of the Hunter Mill District.

I am a conservative and a member of the Republican Party: I currently run a right-of-center think tank called the R Street Institute and previously worked as speechwriter the Republican Majority Leader of the United States Senate, as a fellow of the Heritage Foundation and as a senior editor of the magazine of the American Enterprise Institute. I write to you, however, as a concerned citizen and not as a representative of any of these organizations or any party. My message is simple: both Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed. Neither Robert E. Lee nor Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson are admirable figures who ought to be honored by having roads named after them. The county should pick better and more worthy names.

The reason I believe you should oppose having Lee and Jackson's names on major public thoroughfares is simple: both were traitors who attacked the United States in order to preserve slavery. The South fired the first shots of the Civil War. That war left at least 650,000 Americans dead. Both Lee and Jackson graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, served ably in the army of the United States and then took up arms against a country they had been commissioned to protect. If organizing an army to slaughter the army of a country one once swore an oath to does not meet the definition of treason, what does?

And despite talk of "history" and "heritage" it is true beyond any doubt that the Confederacy existed to preserve slavery. Of those confederate states that gave a rationale for leaving the union in rejection of a democratic election, all cited their desire to keep slavery intact in their ordinances of sucsecession. They all also agreed to a constitution proclaiming that "the institution of negro slavery, as it now exists in the Confederate States, shall be recognized and protected" and further stipulating that no law "impairing the right of property in negro slaves" could ever be enacted. If that isn't enough, the Confederacy's Vice President Alexander Stephens made the Confederacy's reason for being even more clear "Its corner-stone rests," he said. "Upon the great truth that the negro is not equal to the white man; that slavery subordination to the superior race is his natural and normal condition." Both Lee and Jackson were intelligent men fully aware of the purposes of succession as was everyone around them. They committed treason in order to preserve slavery. Honoring them honors traitors and enslavers.

The issue here is not a matter of erasing history. Both men displayed genuine skills on the battlefield and physical bravery. Lee expressed doubts about slavery before the Civil War and worked for reconciliation between North and South after the war ended. Jackson was a man of deep religious faith who, against the laws of the time, helped teach the African-Americans he enslaved how to read. These are meritorious things but they do not outweigh the serious crimes that both men committed. Preserving battlefields, historic homes and other sites associated with both men is both appropriate. But honoring them is not. And road names are a form of honor.

You will doubtless get many suggestions of worthy individuals after whom to name the roads. I will make but one. An individual well deserving of commemoration in the County but not currently having it is Col. Charles Henry Tompkins. Tompkins was the man who killed confederate terrorist and enslaver John Quincy Marr. Tompkins' action in defeating Marr's terrorist band during a raid on Fairfax County Courthouse in the early days of the war was the earliest action of the Civil War for which a Medal of Honor was awarded. Tompkins' heroism ranks along with the battle of Chantilly/Ox Hill as the most important parts of the Civil War to take place in Fairfax County.

The County, until quite recently, maintained a monument honoring Marr. This monument was deeply offensive to the values of modern Fairfax County and the supervisors were right to remove it. Renaming a major road after Tompkins would rectify this wrong and make it clear that the county understands its history, the terrible crime of slavery and the great moral crusade the Union embarked on to abolish it.

The Civil War should not be forgotten but the war's villains are not deserving of any public honor. You should work to find more worthy men and women to honor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway name

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Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway's name should be changed. Aside from the problem that it lauds defeated leaders, the name is too long and too confusing given the road intersects with Lee Highway. Extending the name Fairfax Blvd to the county limits makes sense to me. Please not anitherv9-syllable name!

As for the name Lee Highway, I would prefer that be changed, too. I'm fine with calling it Route 29, but Fairfax Highway or Blue Ridge Byway are my suggestions for actual names, and they're only one syllable longer than Lee Highway.

Thanks.

Carol Boyd Leon

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While my street is crumbling, full of cracks and pot holes, Fairfax County is spending hard earned tax dollars on renaming streets?! My street has not been paved in over 30 years because of budget shortfalls.

Fairfax County needs to get its priorities straight. Even though the state is responsible for the roads, Fairfax County has more important issues to spend their budget on. How much money did it cost the taxpayers to change the name of Jeb Stuart High School?

What is the cost to businesses to change their address? Our postal service already has enough problems without adding to it.

It appears to me that the decision has already been made to change the names of the highways. This feedback is just a formality. Many of us are frustrated by the waste of money when so many other more urgent needs of Fairfax County go unaddressed. I say spend the money on more pressing issues such as on mental health, addressing the opioid crisis, promoting LEGAL immigration, attracting and keeping qualified teachers/police officers/firemen, and ensuring that our election results are accurate and honest.

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Colin Powell Memorial Highway, US Route 50

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Changing the names of these two highways would be a waste of time money and effort. We are lucky that Virginia is in the middle of the North and the South, and in the same way we honor northerners we must honor southerners, after all Virginia is God's country.

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From: Ruth McConnell <rdmrsm57@outlook.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 2:35 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Changing ConfederateNames on Routes 29 and 50

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Some people want to remove any vestige of the Civil War and history in Virginia, And in the country. I don't believe we are honoring these men, but we are saying that they passed this way and were defeated. Most people say Rte 29 or Rte 50 without using the names of Lee and Jackson. I think it would be a waste of time and money and the DOT could spend the Time and money on something necessary.
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Name Change Lee Highway

JM

Joseph McHugj <jsmchugh3@gmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 10:06 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I support not changing the name. The Lee family dates back to the Revolutionary war with Lighthorse Harry Lee. I am sure there are many descendants who served our country admirable over the years. What about Leesburg ,the village, are going to change that too? Once the name changing starts there is no end. A group will always claim a name should be changed due to some historical event. The name "Byrd" is another story, as Senator Byrd was a racist in modern times. His name appears on roads and buildings. I say "NO" to the name change based on historical integrity and cost. Richmond has been the voice of Virginia regarding the name Lee. If you need to change due to pressure from a small number of VA citizens Mahé it a numerical designation.

Joe McHugh

Herndon,Va 20170

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AM

Anne Motz <hoop.annie@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 3:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Good morning,

With so many county residents currently in need of food and housing, I would prefer for our tax dollars to be used to fund a more common sense project than renaming routes 29 and 50.

All the best,

Anne Motz

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Mon 11/8/2021 1:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thanks,
Carmen



From: jemuich@aol.com <jemuich@aol.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 6:54 PM

To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Comment from a public Web site user

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Message:When the civil war was over, Virginia was a southern state and did look up to these generals as heroes for a very long time. In even today southern Virginia still looks upon these men as heroes but today is a different time in history and can be critized for wanting to keep slavery into the 21rst century.. Today, it can be and is viewed as a treasonous act to have a war to secede from the union because they wanted to keep slavery. In humane treatment. They weren't heroes, they were wanting to stay rich off the backs of black peoples. Change the names to heroes who have uplifted our country with positive

Submitted By: Janet Muich

Telephone: 703-338-8878

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Mon 11/8/2021 3:42 PM

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Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 10:41 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] confederate name change task force

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Message

STOP THE INSANITY!! Read George Orwell's ANIMAL FARM - spend this money on something USEFUL!!

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I vote in favor of renaming the highways

Jenny Paige
Jenny@JennyPaige.com

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Let's focus on more important issues than renaming our streets

LP

Larry Pastor <lhpastormd@gmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 10:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Thank you for soliciting input from those of us who make Fairfax County our home. I am against renaming our streets. Lee HWY and Lee-Jackson HWY are a part of the county's history, legacy, and culture. To any thinking person, it is evident that no one is endorsing slavery or supremacy by leaving our legacy street names as they are.

If anything, the existence of these street names may help call attention to our history, who we once were as a people, and how far we have come as a society. No one is served by erasing these street names in a superficial effort to erase history. And, to many people with an interest in history, though they fought for a wrong and morally indefensible cause, Lee and Jackson were nuanced individuals and had different forms of greatness in them, and are worthy of study by contemporary students of history. How about creating a local center for the study of the civil war in Fairfax county located on one of these streets, so all of us can learn from our history, rather than erase it?

Let us focus our efforts and finite resources on other important issues in our county such as safety, traffic, education, or homelessness.

Thank you

Larry H. Pastor, MD

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FW: Replacement names for Rt 29 and Rt 50

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Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 2:18 PM

To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Replacement names for Rt 29 and Rt 50

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Message: LOVE HIGHWAY ROSE BOULEVARD JOY ROAD

Submitted By: Patricia
Telephone: 703-318-7346

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Lee hwy & route 50

VP

Viviana Peel <viviana peel@hotmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 2:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please do not change names.. please use our budget on things needed not changing names that at this point affect not body besides peoples imagination

VP - Sent from my iPhone

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Route 29 and 50 renamed

RP

Rodrigo Perez <aadress10@live.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 4:08 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

I will keep this email short and simple. Keep things how they are and preserve our history.

Thank you

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Names/renaming

MR

Mary Ann Rashid <maryann206@icloud.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 1:17 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Hello Task Force,

I actually would not mind keeping the names since Robert E Lee and Stonewall Jackson are part of VA history. If they must be changed, and I suspect they will be, then my first choice would be to change to a name based on a place or where the road starts or ends. In particular, I do not support changing to a person who has no VA connection. (As an example, I was disappointed they changed Lee High School to John Lewis High School. While an admirable man, Mr. Lewis is not part of VA history.) if changing to a person's name, please ensure they have a VA connection.

Thank you,
Mary Ann Rashid
11316 Vale Road
Oakton, VA 22124

Sent from my iPhone

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FW: Name Changes for Rts 29 & 50

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Mon 11/8/2021 1:38 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thanks,
Carmen



From: realtorenva@gmail.com <realtorenva@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 6, 2021 10:55 AM

To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Name Changes for Rts 29 & 50

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Message: Leave them as they are. There are already enough messes due to name changes, etc.

Reply | **Forward**

Change the confederate names of local highways/roads

LR

Linda Ryan-Nicklas <rynick1@icloud.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 10:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Please change any /all confederate local highway/route names in the fairfax area.

Thank you,
Linda Ryan-Nicklas

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leave the names alone

MS

Mateusz Sawka <matsawka@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 2:00 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Let history be taught and not destroyed. Leave the names alone and focus on real problems in the county such as homelessness, cost of living, traffic, etc.... Please.

-Matt

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DS

Doug Schneeberg <doug.schneeberg@gmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 11:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Personally, I think it is unnecessary and funding could be better used.

1. It isn't as simple as swapping out the name of a high school. There will be plenty of street signs, maps, etc., that will have to be changed. Automated bus announcements for stops would probably have to be reprogrammed as well. I'm sure there are some, but has anyone flown into a fit of rage from seeing or hearing these names? I could probably point you to more problematic names than these. What about a name like Fairfax?

I also can't see it as troubling to a lot of the people that move into the area from around the U.S. or have just emigrated from other parts of the world care about this as a primary concern.

1. If you really want people to feel physically safe with respect to transportation, establish pedestrian flash signals on roads like Blake Lane in Vienna-Oakton. I can tell you from personal experience that drivers rarely pay attention to the non-signalized crosswalks, and on a divided 4-lane road, it is a significant risk.
2. Continue sidewalks so that they don't stop and start making individuals walk along roadways.
3. Improve lighting in problem areas.

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Lee highway name change

SN

Shawn N <guojunn@gmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 1:52 PM

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Dear sir:

I want to keep the current Lee highway name and no change it at all. The names of Lee highway are treasure for fairfax county and VA.

Please keep the current names and thanks fir your listening

Shawn

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Name Chsniges

C **CHRIS <chris.shernit@gmail.com>** 👍 ↶ ↷ ➜ ⋮
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Please leave things the way they are! This is all getting out of hand.

Let's LEARN from our past instead of removing things that remind us of our past choices. We need to move forward to make our way.

Thank you!

Chris

Chris
Chris@Shernit.com
703-216-7170

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FW: CHANGING LEE HIGHWAY AND LEE JACKSON MEMORIAL NAMES

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Mon 11/8/2021 1:40 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thanks,
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From: interinv@aol.com <interinv@aol.com>

Sent: Friday, November 5, 2021 5:23 PM

To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: CHANGING LEE HIGHWAY AND LEE JACKSON MEMORIAL NAMES

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Message: Your website is totally out of sync in accepting comments - your "subject line" doesn't even provide enough space to state the nature of the comment: Please DON'T change the names of these highways, as we have created a number of safety communications and literature using their street names to explain to children the dangers in crossing these highways (regardless of their names).

Submitted By: Robert Sherretta
Telephone: 571-340-8479

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Rt. 50 and Rt. 29 Name Change

B **bevorbob@aol.com**     
Mon 11/8/2021 2:34 PM
To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am opposed to the changing of the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. The Lee family contributed greatly to this country dating back to before the Revolutionary War. We should honor that.

Bev Steinhagen

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Confederate names discussions

JS

Jackie Stuart <littlecaps@aol.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 11:18 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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The elimination of our country's history is simply changing reality. Learn from history... do not erase it. Cancel culture is a fad...Do not allow this random fear mongering to prevail! Grow from learning...everyone has different life experiences.... Let them express them but don't start simply removing them for VOTES!

Sent from my iPhone

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Tax Payer feedback

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Abbas Tabatabaie <atabba55@gmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 8:43 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear Sir or Madam,

I live in Fairfax county and I didn't ask for this task force, and I don't believe this task force should exist.

Changing history is wrong!!

I don't want millions of dollars being spent on replacing signs. Better things can be accomplished with my tax dollars, like feeding hungry people and improving county facilities.

Get rid of this wasteful unnecessary task force.

Respectfully,

Abbas Tabatabaie
1668 Harvest Green Court
Reston, VA 20194

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Do not change the name of Lee-Jackson or Lee Hwy

KT

Kate Taylor <katetaylor@protonmail.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 6:06 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concern about the proposal to change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson in Virginia. Do not do so.

I have three reasons for objecting to this name change:

- 1) Practical: It is confusing to motorists to change the names of major thoroughfares. We have gone through enough upheaval this last year: we don't need more chaos.
- 2) Historical: As difficult as the period of the civil war and post war years has been, sweeping away the names of Lee and Jackson will not change what happened. These men are part of our history and once the name of those roads changes, there will be one less opportunity to talk of that difficult time. If we can stand a statue of Marion Berry in Washington, DC and tributes to St. George Floyd, we can stand roads named for Lee and Jackson.
- 3) Economic: It is costly for the state to change miles upon miles of street signs. It is an unfair burden to all the businesses and residences that will need to buy new stationery, business cards, signage, new maps and so forth.

I, for one, am offended that no one consulted the general public about the removal of all the civil war monuments over the last year in Virginia. That a small groups of people could commit acts of vandalism and riot, and dictate to the rest of Virginia what will happen to those monuments is outrageous. Adding insult to injury, public officials have renamed numerous schools without consulting the electorate at large. Public leaders have been craven in their capitulation to mob rule.

Perhaps the recent GOP win in Virginia is a bell weather of the silent majority who are fed up with the hysterical rhetoric of the woke mob; our leaders have gone to far. Things are changing.

Truly,

Kate Taylor

[703-408-2404](tel:703-408-2404)

2705 Green Holly Springs Court

Oakton, VA 22124

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FW: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Routes 50 and 29 name change

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Sent: Saturday, November 6, 2021 4:00 PM

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Subject: [Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Routes 50 and 29 name change

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Message

The civil war was about states rights verses federal rights , slavery was a side issue. These Generals appear to have been honorable military men and the conflict between state and federal authority is front page today. Trying to change these names will only make the disagreement worse. Leave history alone.

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Name suggestions: Grant/Lee Highway replaces Lee Highway

CN

Charles Van Nostrand <pilot.van@verizon.net>

Mon 11/8/2021 9:22 PM

To: dotconfederatenamestaskforce@fairfaxcounty.gov <dotconfederatenamestaskforce@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Cc: charles.vannostrand@verizon.net



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Perhaps a method to recognize the participants in the civil war would be to replace names such as Lee Highway with names that simply recognize that there were soldiers on both sides of the conflict. For example "Grant/Lee Highway" or "McPherson/Johnson Street", etc., etc. Thus the participants in history are recognized, but not necessarily their cause.

After all, with 750,000 fatalities, this was a significant event in American history and the participants should not be forgotten.

If there are streets named for individual solders, especially a solder from the community, who died for their county (either side), I personally think the street names should remain unchanged.

Thanks for listening,
A retired airman,
Charles L. Van Nostrand
Alexandria, VA

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Comments on consideration of name change for Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

BV

Bill Vodra <wwodra@cox.net>

Mon 11/8/2021 10:27 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear members of the Committee,

I have been giving much thought to the issue of honoring Confederate leaders through the names of parks, roads, schools and the like, as well as by monuments. I would like to share a few ideas for your discussions.

1. Honoring the soldiers who fought is a distinct issue from honoring the political and military leaders of the Confederacy. I am not addressing the statue of a generic soldier that appears in many towns.
2. What our predecessors chose to honor does warrant some deference in the decision-making process. But we should not be bound by their choices, if they do not reflect current community values.
3. What we choose to honor today should reflect our current values and our current knowledge of history. We now understand that
 - a. The Lost Cause was a myth, perpetrated in the late 19th and early 20th centuries not merely to honor the past, but to reinforce white supremacy during the period of Jim Crow segregation.
 - b. The Confederate leaders being honored – in particular, Lee and Jackson – chose to “levy arms against the United States.” Article III, Section 3, Clause 1 defines such actions as “treason.”
 - i. The fact that Robert E. Lee was not tried for treason has to do with his oath on parole at Appomattox and his oath of amnesty in October 1861. The absence of a trial is not evidence that he did not commit treason.
 - ii. Thomas Jackson died in 1863, and thus could not be tried for treason.
 - c. Both Lee and Jackson were enslavers. There is no persuasive evidence that either attempted to manumit their slaves, as might be done by someone who opposed slavery.
4. Our contemporary society does not honor treason or slavery.
5. Honoring Lee and Jackson by continuing to name highways after them is inconsistent with our community’s values. It should end.

Thank you for your service on the committee with this difficult mandate.

William W. Vodra
913 Arcturus on the Potomac
Alexandria, VA 22308

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Renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

BW

Brenda Webster <tweetbear10@gmail.com>

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I do not believe Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed. I believe history should not be erased. Through history we learn.

Sent from my iPad

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OPA 703Fairfax

Mon 11/8/2021 1:37 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Good morning,

This email was in the OPA email box. Would you please reply to the constituent and cc OPA?

Thanks,
Carmen



From: WengerF3@gmail.com <WengerF3@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 6, 2021 10:56 AM

To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Confederate Names Task Force

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Submitted By: Fred Wenger III
Telephone: 202-203-0636

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Lee Hey and Lee-Jackson Mem Hwy

GW

Gretta Wiegold <gretta@grettawiegold.com>

Mon 11/8/2021 1:47 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hi, I believe Lee Highway (Rt. 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed.

Thanks,

Gretta Wiegold
gretta@grettawiegold.com

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Rename Lee and Jackson Highway

MW

Melissa Windecker <m.a.minogue@gmail.com>

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Hello,

Please rename these roads. Leaving them is an insult not only to the Black population of Virginia but also to the many servicemen and women and public servants in Virginia who are expected to honor our oath to uphold and defend the fo situation— an oath those men did not keep.

Melissa Windecker
7432 Tower St.
Falls Church VA 22046

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Routes 29 and 50

LY **Laura Yust <accompanist@yahoo.com>**     ⋮

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Yes. These highways should be renamed.

Fairfax County should be a leader in getting rid of the vestiges of racism. It was never appropriate to honor people who were dishonorable, especially since the intention in doing so was to intimidate and oppress some of our fellow American citizens.

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Changing Confederate names

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Transportation

Tue 11/9/2021 10:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Message

I feel that changing names is without merit. It doesn't really solve anything but increases the cost to the taxpayers. It is also a denial of history. There were several Lees who were involved in the history of this nation other than Robert E. Lee. We had Lees representing Virginia on the Constitution Committee that wrote the Constitution. To change the names of Lee Highway and Route 50 to something that won't offend someone is to say to these men "You are nothing because you owned slaves." Slavery existed in Virginia and everyone had them, not just the rich. What is the next denial of history? To deny James Madison, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe the right to have buildings, roads, parks, schools and other areas named after them because they owned slaves. Lee hated slavery with every bone in his body, but he loved his state more than serving as the Commander-In-Chief of the Union Army. He and General Grant both served their respective armies well and Lee taught at the University of Virginia as a teacher. Are you going to deny that Thomas Jefferson was the architect on the buildings at UVA? Of course. He owned slaves. He dared to have sex with a few of his slave girls. Are you going to change the names of the buildings named after him. I would add further that those who deny history are condemned to relive it. Let's leave the names alone. I wish that this phony offense would end. (I do not support slavery. I just believe that decent people should be honored and those things named for them should be left alone._

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Renaming of Lee Highway and Lee Jackson

B

Bob and Donna Tilman <bdtilman@verizon.net>

Tue 11/9/2021 10:35 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Can you post the results of the survey, at least in terms of votes For and Against renaming?

I think those results need to be shared with the citizens as part of any decision.

Changing the name will be a waste of money for both Fairfax County, who will have to do new road signs, maps.....

And a big expense for those homeowners and businesses whose sign may include the address.

Find some other famous "Lee" in Virginia, and rededicate the highway to that Lee.

You can even put up a few new markers on the road that gives some brief info on the new "LEE" that the road is now dedicated to.

No one rides on those roads and thinks its honoring someone who died over 100 years ago.

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DO NOT CHANGE THE STREET NAMES

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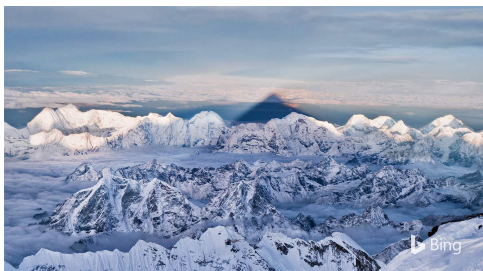
Gayle Bethea <gaylelbethea@hotmail.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 8:38 PM

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Gayle Bethea
2301 Sawdust Rd
Vienna, VA 22181
Sent from my iPad

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Don't Change Lee Highway



orene.blum@cox.net

Tue 11/9/2021 1:47 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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This Marxist ploy of trying to erase our history must stop! ENOUGH!

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DISBAND THE COMMISSION

DB

DJ BRADLEY <email2bradley@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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In 100 years there may be a strong desire to change the names back or there may be no concern at all.

We do not need to waste taxpayer dollars on such foolishness.

Thank you.

David J Bradley RCDD

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Feedback on name changes



grahm

Woeness is turning off citizens and killing the Democrat Party. Even James Carville lamented about Dems needing woke detox on PBS NewsHour (4 Nov.). Bill Maher has talked about the stupidity of kowtowing to a few activists to wipe out our history and have two anthems played at games. These are very liberal people, and they're not happy with this cancel culture, either.

What happened to having pride in our country and accepting the good and bad parts of our history for a holistic picture and an open-minded discussion? This is why McAuliffe lost, and independents are not happy with Biden (lower approval rating than Trump's lowest approval rating ever!), Harris, or any of the Democrats in charge at all levels of government. Democrats have lost touch with the voters and ramrod their views and policies, because they think they know better.

As an independent, I've sent similar comments about Democrat wokeness to Sen. Kaine, Sen. Warner, Rep. Beyer, Supv. McKay, and Supv. Lusk, who held town halls about changing Lee District's name. I responded we should also change the names of Mount Vernon and Mason districts, because they also can be associated with slavery.

I also suggested to the senators that we should either rename or move the capital of Virginia to another city, because Richmond was the capital of the Confederacy, and it will always be associated with Jefferson Davis. Once the renaming starts, why stop? Let's just wipe out references to every historical figure and location that someone deems offensive.

Thanks for listening.

Fran Carnevale

Sent from my iPad

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Confederate Names

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Tue 11/9/2021 2:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, November 9, 2021 8:55 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Confederate Names

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Keep names as they are. DO NOT CHANGE. This is part of our heritage and should not be changed.

Thank you,

Carlos S. Castillo

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Fw: 29 and 50

PC

PHILIP COHEN <pkentc@verizon.net>

Tue 11/9/2021 6:01 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Sent: Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 12:01:04 PM EST

Subject: 29 and 50

Since a significant segment of the population finds these names offensive, THEY'VE GOT TO GO.

Why not just call them Route 29 and Route 50? (I didn't even know that 50 is officially named Lee-Jackson Highway until you sent your postcard seeking input.) I can't see anyone objecting to "Route 29" or "Route 50"; these names seem fairly neutral to me.

Then let's move on to less cosmetic, and more substantive, actions in the name of social justice. If the money used to address this highway-name issue were used instead to build a new inner-city school or provide subsidized mortgages to minorities who had been victims of redlining, would people be fighting over what the school, or the subsidy program, was called? Actions really do speak louder than words.

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Re: Comments on renaming Fairfax County highways

RC

Richard Coleman <richard.lewis.coleman@gmail.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 2:18 PM

To: Mike Steussy <ae4r@cox.net>

Cc: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I most heartily agree. Please stop this silliness, now.

Richard L. Coleman

Area code 22310

Richard L. Coleman, (703) 615-4482 [c], (703) 922-5423 [h]

On Mon, Nov 8, 2021, 21:40 Mike Steussy <ae4r@cox.net> wrote:

Ref: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/confederate-names-task-force>

Madam or Sir, thanks for inviting comments from county residents to the Confederate Names Task Force's issues with the Lee Highway (US 29) and Lee-Jackson Highway (US 50) as described in the reference web page. I respectfully object to renaming those highways. In support of my objection, I submit the following comments.

First, I object to spending taxpayer money on such efforts when it would be far better spent on other county responsibilities such as...

- Repairing & maintaining roads, bridges, parking lots, vehicles, signs & snow removal.
- Equipping & maintaining first responders: police, fire fighters, stations & equipment, ambulances.
- Maintaining and restoring county schools, libraries, parks, buildings, vehicles, sewers, floodwater systems.
- A thousand other things that cost money to make our county a good & safe place to live.

Second, I object to this obvious attempt to bury part of the County's history, good or bad, to appease perceived sensitivities of some of its residents and most likely others outside Fairfax County and Commonwealth of Virginia. Our history, including Confederate times, persons and events, is what it is. We residents need to know about those times and not forget the nation's extreme ordeal and terrible sacrifice that ended them.

Third, please consider the precedent of bending to the trend of the "cancel culture" to erase our history and heritage. If you bend to this political wind, then you'll be pressed to change places and things named after historic figures, such as...

- Other Confederate leaders, e.g., Davis, Mosby, Pickett, Stuart.
- Our nation's Founding Fathers, e.g., Washington, Jefferson, Madison, who were slave keepers.

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Renaming LEE HIGHWAY and LEE-JACKSON MEMORIAL

PC

Philip Covington <pcovington@mac.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 4:48 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am caucasian, 75 years old , grew up in the deep south, and, as a boy, idolized Robert E Lee.

Nonetheless, I wholeheartedly endorse renaming these roads because of their inevitable association with the diabolical institution of slavery.

Sent from my iPhone

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US Routes 29 and 50 Renaming

EC

Ethan Cua <ethanman62187@outlook.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 11:54 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To whom it may concern,

As an occasional traveler on those 2 routes, the names on these roads should change. Lee Hwy on US Route 29 can have a lot of meanings for Lee; however, if Lee on US Route 29 is meant to be for Bruce Lee instead of Confederate Robert E Lee, it can be renamed to add Bruce on the highway. I believe just calling it US Route 29 should be ok as other states sometimes call their route number simply the route number without a road name.

I also happen to sometimes be a traveler on US Route 50. Being called the Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy, I prefer if its name is just the regular US Route 50. I am open to names such as Washington Jefferson Memorial Hwy as the positives of George Washington and Thomas Jefferson outweigh the negatives. Both were founding fathers with Washington being the first president fighting for an independent nation and Jefferson being one of the main people for the Declaration of Independence.

Thanks for considering my feedback for possible name changes for Routes 29 and 50.

Sincerely,

Ethan Cua
ethanman62187@outlook.com

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Changing Highway Names

DD

Deborah Diamond <dkdiamond09@gmail.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 12:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I just filled out your online survey, and I would like to add a couple of thoughts. I expect that you are going to go ahead and change the highways' names, but I would like to suggest that it is a feckless exercise. You probably believe that the presence of Confederate names on public buildings, highways, statues, etc. oppresses black people, and removing them would remove the burden of America's racist past. I believe there are two reasons why it will have little or no impact on that problem.

--One is that Americans don't learn history in the first place. There are probably lots of people who never knew how Lee Highway got its name until they heard that the name might be changed. If it is changed, we will lose an opportunity to teach future generations positive lessons about their history. If anyone were to ask how Lee Highway got its name, they should be told that General Lee fought for slavery -- but guess what, he lost, and slavery was eliminated. That is a positive lesson, in contrast to the popular assumption -- which partly underlies the drive to remove statues, change street names, etc. - - that American society is forever, irredeemably, racist.

--At the same time, changing names will do nothing to promote continuing progress for black people. It will not improve educational or employment opportunities, or social mobility. It is merely a fig leaf to cover our failures to deal with the legacies of slavery that remain.

So, go ahead and change the names, but please be aware that it won't change anything fundamental.

Sincerely,
Deborah Diamond

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Quit wasting our money on changing road names

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 5:25 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Quit wasting our money on changing road names

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Message

DO something that helps us, like making sure you clear the sidewalks and trim the trees so we can walk comfortably on public roads. You guys are ridiculous. And BTW, why wasn't the "Confederat" road name change issue on the ballot Nov 2?

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Confederate names

TF

Thomas Fina <demsabrd@gmail.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 3:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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We believe that Lee Highway and the Lee-Jackson Highway should be renamed to remove any commemoration of these traitors.

Eleanor & Thomas W. Fina

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Highway name changes

AF

Andy & Linda Frix <frixes@verizon.net>

Tue 11/9/2021 5:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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We are opposed to changing the names of highways named for Confederate generals who were loyal to the Commonwealth of Virginia in lieu of the US.

Linda Frix
Herndon, VA. 20170

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RE: Lee Highway

BG

Bill Glover <will@firetrain.com>
Tue 11/9/2021 12:25 AM
To: Joe <jdn53@aol.com>; DOT Confederate Names Task Force
Cc: Esther Glover <esther@firetrain.com>; cnspringett@gmail.com



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I emailed it Joseph.
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Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 6:32 PM
To: Bill Glover <will@firetrain.com>; dotconfederatenamestaskforce@fairfaxcounty.gov
Cc: Esther Glover <esther@firetrain.com>; cnspringett@gmail.com
Subject: Re: Lee Highway

Now that was an intelligent, aptly worded, and passionate letter, Billy. Did you mail it already?

[Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS](#)

On Monday, November 8, 2021, 5:40 PM, Bill Glover <will@firetrain.com> wrote:



Robert E. Lee was:

- A graduate of West Point where he primarily studied engineering.
- An engineer for the United States Corps of Engineers where he served as on multiple projects defending this country.
- A trustworthy chief aide to Winfield Scott leading the charge during the Mexican-American War. There he also worked with Ulysses Grant who developed a great admiration for Lee.
- The superintendent of West Point Military Academy.
- Though Lee opposed the idea of succession, he was ultimately loyal to his native state of Virginia, serving as a respected, disciplined leader in the Civil War. To this day, he is regarded as a great military strategist.
- President of Washington-Lee University.
- Always a gentlemen in war, leadership, and social affairs.

He has always been regarded as a great leader and noted contributor to the United States government, the Confederacy, the engineering discipline and higher education.

He was a great man.

Of course, there are those who continue to defame anyone who had anything to do with the Confederacy, and those people view Lee **only** as a racist. He was not a racist. These same people, intentionally blind to the tremendous contributions so many individuals made to the development of our nation, wish only to racially divide our country once more. It is a mistake and you should beware of dangerous underlying motivations.

I have little faith that Northern Virginia will alter their course. I grew up in Falls Church and attended J.E.B. Stuart High School, now given a new name to appease the far left assault on our history. It is amazing how one can look at an electoral map of the United States, or Virginia or even of my now home of Lancaster County and you see all red with splotches of blue in densely populated areas. That's why I left Fairfax. That's why I will never again live in a "splotch of blue".

I love our fields, farms, and rivers of red where productivity, compassion and a get-it-done spirit still thrive while wretched splotches of blue decay with all that is wrong in a crazy, woke, selfish world.

I wish you would desist but I know you will not. Know this however, every time you make another nonsensical move, the public watches, remembers and reacts. Last Tuesday's election is just the beginning of this nation resetting its' course.

It may be too late for Fairfax and Loudoun. May you meld into Washington D.C. and become another tragic statistic.

Bill

William E Glover
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The Lee Family has served Virginia and Maryland for well over 200 years, starting with their arrival in 1639 and going up to political service ending in 1979.

Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee was a Lt. Colonel in the Continental Army and an early Governor of Virginia.

Thomas Sim Lee was a Governor of Maryland.

I find it interesting that you bias this whole procedure by calling it a "Confederate Name Task Force".

HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT THESE LEE STREETS WERE NAMED FOR ROBERT E. LEE?

Just as the people of Virginia spoke at the election booths last week to ensure no more Terry McAuliffe and his Lt. Governor and Attorney General, the people of Virginia need to remove all of these "woke" people wasting tax payers money on this ridiculous agenda.

Edward Graf

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Lee Highway name change proposal

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I am a liberal Democratic voter, a historian, and a life-long resident of Fairfax County. I do not approve of the idea of renaming anything just because there are so-called "Confederate" associations. The name "Lee" relates to an entire family not just to Robert E. Lee. It is ludicrous to rename things and then turn around and name it for another person that might be just as unpopular with other people. Revisionist history works from both sides of an argument. Please do not go through with these name changes. It will deprive Fairfax County of its history, and that history cannot be swept under the rug and forgotten just because it is unpleasant.

I also urge you, should you decide to go through with the name change which you've probably already decided to do despite this survey, to rename the roads for places and not for any individual. That is the only neutral way of doing this sort of revisionism.

I'll be watching to see what the decision is!

Eric Grundset
Burke, Virginia

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Changing of Lee Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee Highway

CH

Celeste Hardy <vthardy1@verizon.net>

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I have several questions about this effort.

1. If you are changing Lee Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee Highway, why are you not changing Harry Byrd Highway. Did you know he was a really "high up" member/head of the Ku Klux Klan? Why would that highway not be up for change?

2. Who is going to pay for all the signage changes? I guess we the Fairfax County taxpayers are. Doesn't Fairfax County have better places to use our taxes?

3. Why are there so many task force members? And why are you bothering to ask our opinion? I spoke to a person on the Board of Supervisors this morning. Even he said that with the (sad) way things are going, our opinions would not matter. The result is a forgone conclusion.

I DO NOT want the names changed. It makes traveling around the county very confusing. I was trying to find Fairfax High School and saw it was not located on Rebel Run anymore. I had to call the school to see if it has moved. I travel Lee Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee Highway almost every day.

Hlstory is history. You cannot change it with a name change to make it go away. Teach what happened so the bad parts will not be repeated.

So, let me repeat - I DO NOT want the names changed.

Celeste Hardy
Fairfax VA 22033

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Renaming two highways in Fairfax County

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am not in favor of renaming Lee Highway (Route 29) or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County. History is history and we cannot change it, good or bad. How sad to spend so much of the taxpayers money to change signs, maps, etc. when it could be put to good use helping those who really need the help. I vote NO to changing the names.

Barbara E. Herriman

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changing the name of route 50 and 29

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dear DOT.

please don't use our taxpayer money to change the names of route 50 and 29. it's not a good use of our funds. please use our dollars to fix roads and put in more neighborhood streetlights. our safety is much more important.

thank you for listening and for you all you do to keep us safe.

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Renaming 29 and 50

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Definitely YES!

'U.S. Grant Boulevard' might be a bit of a stretch for starters but I'd vote for it.

Sincerely,

Stan Hyman

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Street name change for Lee Highway and Lee--Jackson

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Penny Iverson
11001 Sandy Manor Dr
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I VOTE **NO** TO ANY NAME CHANGE. One does not change history by changing the names. These men were part of our history - some good and some bad. Also when will someone else decide that another name is also not acceptable!! Personally I doubt that many think about the names.

Also my biggest objection is to the cost not only to the county for all the name changes to street signs, maps, etc, but also the cost to so many businesses. Many of them are small business that are already struggling and then to have to pay for this change. The counties' money can be spent better in many other ways so maybe our property taxes won't have to keep going up. Those of us on retirement pay are having a hard time keeping up with those payments. Although house prices are going up, we don't see the increase in that when we bought our homes many years ago!!!

Thank you,
Penny Iverson

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highways 29 and 50

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Do not change the names of Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway or of Lee Highway. Carolyn Johnson

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Name change

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Please do Not change the names of Lee Highway Jackson Memorial Highway.

Even though some may not like them, history should be remembered.

Thank you

Keith Johnson

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Dear Confederate Names Task Force,

I am not in favor of changing the names of Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County.

There are already so many efforts to erase history, which will prevent future generations from knowing why events/roads were named.

So much history has already been lost - please don't add to this disgrace.

Sincerely,

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Lee Highways: 29 & 50

LK

Lisa Kusters <lisak.kusters@gmail.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 1:24 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Please do NOT change the names of Lee Highways 29 & 50 out of respect for the position of General this man served in our nation's history.

Changing the names would be a travesty.

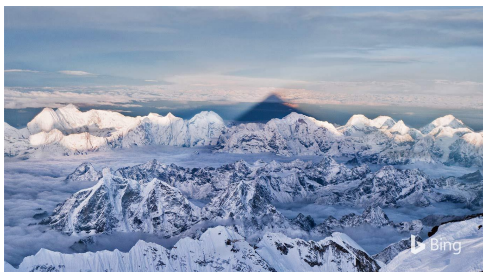
Thank you for your wise consideration.

Most sincerely,
Lisa Kusters

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Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)



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Dear Sirs, Mesdames:

I am opposed to any renaming of Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50). Please do not waste taxpayer money belaboring the issue.

This whole "cancel culture" has gotten completely ridiculous. Making the Washington Redskins and the Cleveland Indians change longstanding names, changing school names and street names, and defacing and vandalizing statues and monuments has been so overdone that it is sickening.

Perhaps we should rename Washington, D.C., since Washington, D.C. was named for George Washington who owned slaves. Or, perhaps we should tear down the Washington Monument for the same reason. Maybe we should shut down the University of Virginia, since it was founded by Thomas Jefferson, who was a slave owner. Maybe we should rename states like Massachusetts, since "Massachusetts" was a name taken from one of the Indian tribes. Maybe we should renounce the Declaration of Independence, since it speaks of "all Men" being created equal without mentioning women. Where does the craziness end???

Again, please do not waste your time fretting over hypocritical purges of a few street names. Our county will survive just fine without you folks having to busy yourselves on endless witch-hunts for street names that might offend a few radicals.

Walter Kubitz, Fairfax County resident

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Feedback on Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway name

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Good Morning,

Stop trying to appease the small group (or maybe it is the Fairfax County Government) who is pushing for a name change. Figure out that the citizens are tired of being considered racist or some persons or government official want to jump in and make a woke change.

That street name has not hurt anyone and to attempt to erase history is unacceptable. Look at how the people voted for the Governor. Start listening to the people who the county government supports and not the small few that want to change history.

Stop and think a moment. Who is going to pay for this taskforce time? Fairfax County residents. Who is going to pay for the business owners to change the street address for their businesses? The businesses who will pass on the cost to the people who shop in their stores. Gas is going up, food is going up, property taxes are going up and thanks to the Fairfax County government, if this name change moves forward, the good people will have to now pay for this additional burden of cost which many cannot afford. The Biden administration is costing the entire nation money and now Fairfax County wants to add to our cost.

Now if only, and I mean only the Confederate Task Force and Fairfax county government are going to be the only ones paying for this name change and will not impact or pass on the cost to businesses and citizens here in making us pay for something we do not need to change, then you assume the cost. If Fairfax County government believes its citizens are willing to pay for a name change that is not bothering us physically or emotionally (which happened years before we were born) but for some reason is bother the government or the few, then you assume wrong.

I may be wrong, but looking at the members of the task force, it needs to be more diverse in who makes the decisions in the task force. Where is the historical perspective? Where is the military perspective? where is the Lee, Jackson and Confederate optic. Yes, slavery was bad but we learn from history. Are we going to change the concentration camps names because they bring back memories of death and destruction? Are we going to rename Pearl Harbor for all those souls lost and families torn apart? Is 911 to remain because of the act of evil that occurred or do we need to change that name? Stop trying to divide the people but why don't Fairfax County work to bring us together to move forward to the future in making this county the best in the nation?

Stop trying to be a woke government agency and start listening to the people and not what the county government believes is the way to go.

Regards,

RA Lamb
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Lee highway

LE

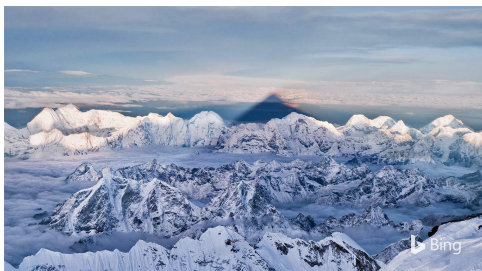
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Do not change the name. Gen. Lee was a great leader.

GM

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Re: 29 and 50 names

TM

Thomas Mahoney <tbonemahoney@hotmail.com>

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No. Please do not rename

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> On Nov 8, 2021, at 9:51 PM, Thomas Mahoney <tbonemahoney@hotmail.com> wrote:

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> The highways should NOT be renamed.

> This topic is ridiculous.

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Feedback on Renaming Routes 50 and 29

Although I shouldn't have to say this, I want to make it clear that I am actually a young, liberal voter who tends to vote for left-leaning issues. However, I think that the country's fad of renaming schools, roads, and removing statues is getting completely out of hand. We are holding historical figures to modern-day standards that didn't exist back in their time. It's not fair to those figures and the contributions they made to Northern Virginia and our country.

Following this nationwide trend of getting rid of historical figures, just because they don't live up to our current ethics, sets a bad precedent. Will society eventually get rid of anything named after George Washington, too? Will society eventually get rid of anything named after modern-day presidents like Clinton, Bush, or Obama because of something they (and we all) did that are cultural norms now, but that future societies will recognize as wrong? Societal ethics and beliefs will constantly evolve over time, so this sets a dangerous precedent.

All of that being said, if the Task Force does decide to change the highway name(s), I think it should be done solely for the purpose of eliminating confusion between the two highways. They both have "Lee" in their names and both cross over similar areas in Northern Virginia. So I would welcome changing ONE of the names for the purposes of delineating between the two highways. I don't have any recommendations as to what alternative name should be considered, but I would like to see the task force choose a name that honors something or someone that reflects our rich, unique Virginia history.

As a young parent who plans to spend the rest of my working career in Fairfax and raise my kids here, I take a lot of pride in the history of this area. I worry that so much of our neighborhoods' historical character will go away as more modern developments move in. I hope that we continue to reflect our history in whatever the task force decides to do.

Thank you for taking the time to collect comments.

Respectfully,
Susanna Marking

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The names should absolutely be changed

BM

Brian Martens <brian.martens2@gmail.com>

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When I think of people who should have a road name to memorialize them, Lee & Jackson are among the last I would choose. I would rather the road be named after someone who actually deserves to be honored. If I stood before either of the aforementioned confederate "heroes" graves, I would spit on them. I can't believe this is even up for debate.

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Names of roads

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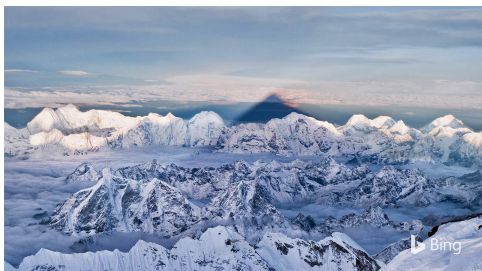
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Leave history alone. Trying to wipe out those names who did a lot more good than bad is ridiculous.

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Patricia J McNamara (not verified) (pjmcnamara4444@gmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at

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Message

Absolutely oppose name change. General Lee is part of Virginia history. What next? tear down of Mount Vernon or elimination of George Washington Parkway. This sounds like a George Soros, Black Lives Matter, CRT movement. And, how much is going to be spent by tax payer money on replacement of signs? How much? pjm

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Road name changes

NM

Nancy Minan <nancyminan@gmail.com>

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Stop trying to change things and rewrite history. Leave the names as they are. Nancy Minan

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Revising Revision, Honoring Honor: A Case for Naming Route 29 or Route 50 in Fairfax County After MG George Henry Thomas, USA

PM

Patrick Judd Murray <Smintheu@verizon.net>

Tue 11/9/2021 4:10 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Elizabeth Mary (Kafka) Callsen <ECallsen@cox.net>; Paul J. Atelsek <Paul.Atelsek@verizon.net> + 1 other



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Ladies or gents:

Reactionary revisionist history—not all revisionist history enters from the righteous left—plunged us into this predicament. Yet responsible history can haul us out.

I urge you to name our stretch of Route 29 or Route 50 after a worthy Virginian. The Old Dominion sanctifies N. Bedford Forrest, a Tennesseean (though I admit that, as a sufferer from First-Name-Deficiency Syndrome, he sure *sounds* like a Virginian) and the first Grand Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan; P. G. & E. Beauregard, a weakly magnetic Louisianan; Earl Van Dorn, a Mississippian and “serial adulterer”; and Jefferson Davis, another Mississippian and mere sporadic adulterer. Unlike those often venereal yet always venerated outlanders, my Virginian didn’t abjure his sworn allegiance to our country in its “most need,” or to his wife. But, hey, nobody’s perfect. Besides, what he gives away in disloyalty he makes up in locality. I mean the splendid son of Southampton County, **George Henry Thomas**.

Soldier You want *valor*? While half of the Confederacy assailed his army, and half of that half assailed his corps, the bulky Virginian—a target conspicuous enough on foot—rallied his corps from horseback. You want *prowess*? He wrought the martial analog to a nine-inning perfect game: He served not on fields of dreams but in fields of mortal combat, he served there for the four-year “duration,” and *he never lost*.

Thomas won decisive battles across the Middle Theater. He gained renown as the Rock of Chickamauga because in northern Georgia he prevented a rout of the Army of the Cumberland, and as the Sledge of Nashville because in central Tennessee he devastated the Army of Tennessee. The sort of stroke George Pickett’s *outside agitators* attempted at Gettysburg, Thomas’s forces accomplished—up rather ornerier terrain, to rather fainter acclaim—at Missionary Ridge (“On, Wisconsin!”).

With these brilliant feats of defense and offense, and with further estimable victories at Stones River and Peachtree Creek, at Mill Springs and Murfreesboro, Thomas sped redemption of Atlanta and the Atlantic coast by William Tecumseh Sherman. Along these *strong encounters* he helped to keep the United States united and so to preserve what one memorial, not from around here, in its innocence identifies as “constitutional government and human liberty.”

By his firm behavior throughout the War, Thomas placed himself among the ranks of the bravest and cleverest commanders from either side: Ulysses Grant, Phil Sheridan, and Sherman; James Longstreet, Pat Cleburne, and Joe Johnston. By it, he proved himself to be what Sherman assayed him to be: “as true as steel.”

Patriot Fanciers of James (“*beautiful* plumage!”) Stuart, John (ditto) Mosby, George Pickett, Richard Ewell, Thomas Jackson, Robert Lee, and the other Virginians that chose wrong insist that supporting secession was the sole *possible* choice (no choice) and therefore they ignore Thomas as chimerical. Reactionary political correctness—not all political correctness enters from the righteous left—insists that supporting secession was the sole *proper* choice and therefore it condemns him as contumacious. (Confederates confront this contradiction with customary clarity and candor.) Yet he both could and did choose right. *Stuart* wanted to “hang, hang” *him* for treason! His example affords an irrefutable, perpetual rebuke of Confederates then. This explains the shameless hostility of Confederates now. (Perhaps it explains only most such hostility: Having injured him, they also will not forgive him for their having injured him [La Rochefoucauld, *Maximes*, I, 304].)

Yes, Thomas fought better than those Virginians—despite the One-Drop Rule, under which the ashes of every cracker that donned butternut should repose with those of heavy-armored Hellenes and plaid-clad Highlanders in Elysian sublimity, and under which the ashes of every grandee that donned gray "should ... [mingle] with those of Caesar, in the field of Mars, and among the antient monuments of Roman virtue" [Gibbon, *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, Chapter XXIV] ... each cracker and each grandee “with a glory in his bosom that transfigures” each, plus us. And so, yes, by prodigious deeds through arduous campaigns Thomas did more than 'most anybody else to ensure that the Lost Cause lost. What apologists for that Cause really cannot abide, however, quite aside from his rivin' their idols up an' drivin' Ol' Dixie down, is, again, that Thomas chose right.

Boy and Mensch When Nat Turner’s Insurrection detonated close to home, Thomas was 15. He led his family to safety. How? Someone must have pulled his coat. Why? While evidence is meager, he seems to have treated his black playmates with uncommon decency and, in that artless way, to have ingratiated himself with them. An engineer in spirit before he even reached West Point, he liked pulling things apart to see how they work. A phlegmatic fellow, he druther see how things work than seize petty prerogatives based on spurious racial superiority. A magnanimous man, he spurned mean advantage or, in Hobbesian terms, displayed contempt for “little helps” [*Leviathan*, The First Part, Of Man, Chapter 6]. Can you imagine?

This much does appear clear: If any people in *antebellum* America could have rationally feared the fair and balanced redress black folks might exact once they struck their shackles off, those people were the ones Nat Turner had just missed massacring. Thomas still chose right.

George Henry Thomas quelled Rebellion from the Big Muddy to the Great Smokies, from the Logs to the bogs. *His* was the “duty faithfully performed”; *his* is the “heritage” worth driving home. He was the noblest Virginian of his day; he’ll make a noble namesake for our stretch of Route 29 or Route 50. Sherman predicted that the South would come to appreciate him (Thomas, not his own satanic self). Please demonstrate that, after dishonorable delay, at least the State of his nativity at last has come to do just that. *Pace* Jim Webb, “it’s [not] complicated.”

You needn’t believe me on these matters. Consult (1) Brian Steel Wills’s biography *George Henry Thomas: As True As Steel* and (2) Edward Bonekemper III’s survey *Myth of the Lost Cause: Why the South Fought the Civil War and Why the North Won*.

Patrick Judd ("Pat" or "Paddy") Murray

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I'm expressing my total disgust with the Fairfax County 'wokeness' that is permeating our great Virginia heritage. Robert E. Lee was a great man, and the fact that a very few people in this area want to expunge his name from our streets and our culture is ridiculous and childish.

A minister I know says something that is appropriate in this case, 'take your thumb out of your mouth and grow up.'

Names of roads don't hurt anyone. And changing the names of roads or dismantling statues or other childish acts such as those don't help at all. These acts actually harm our society because you're trying to erase history instead of facing history and learning from it.

I vote 'no' on the silly (not to mention expensive) proposal to erase our history by changing names.

Please keep me informed to your discussions. I request an email to let me know when and where these matters will be discussed.

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Lee Highway

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Apparently you haven't learned one thing after the election this past week. The Red Wave is coming and the citizens have spoken loud and clear.

As a descendent of Robert E Lee I am strongly urging you to keep historical names in our state and countHe's. Not just the highway but all historical statues.

General Lee was living in the times back in the when it forced him to chose supporting Virginia. He should be honored for all he did. Even General Grant was an admirer of his tactics. And you people think you are the cream of the crop. You are employed by the people. You can be replaced at the next election cycle!

Tim Nelson
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Should Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County be renamed?

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Hoang Nguyen <hpnguyen16@hotmail.com>

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Question: Should Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County be renamed?

Answer: NO, DEFINITELY NO!

Sign:

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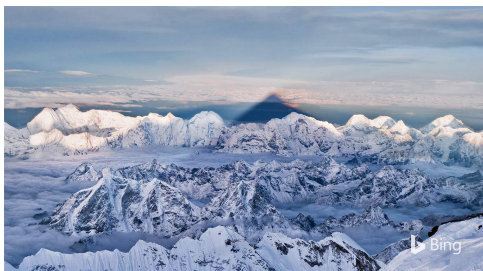
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Stop all renaming

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Stop all renaming. For such cases, it is necessary to hold a referendum, and not make a decision by a handful of people.

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road names

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The time has arrived to cease publically honoring those who fought to maintain slavery.

Gerald Rogan
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Survey on changing names for Routes 29 & 50

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Lisa Romano <lmr357@hotmail.com>

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To whom it may concern:

Do **not** change the names of Route 29 and Route 50.
STOP TRYING TO CHANGE AMERICAN HISTORY.

Concerned resident,
L. M. Romano

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway names

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Message

Date: 11/9/21

To: Fairfax County Department of Transportation

From: Eric Rozenman

Re: Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force

Suggestion: Instead of continuing naming the highways in honor of Civil War Confederate generals, simply rename them in tribute to leading Union generals, for example, Grant and Sherman. Route 29 would then be Grant Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) would be Grant-Sherman Memorial Highway.

The new names would continue as reminders of the area's role in a time of transformation in the nation's history, but would honor the causes of the victorious North -- union and the end of slavery,

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Renaming route 29 and route 50

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I am submitting my input as a Fairfax county resident. My family has lived in Fairfax county for decades. Much of my extended family reside here as well. I am deeply concerned about the direction the government is taking here in my own community. I strongly support keeping the names of both roads. We cannot yield to woke cancel culture. It is imperative that our history be maintained. It facilitates a discussion about how things have evolved in our great state. Please do not participate in this toxic movement of erasure. Changing these important aspects of Virginia culture sends horrible message to our children. ALL of my family members support my email advocating for maintaining our history. I hope my voice is heard. I have earned my opinion on my community.

Dan Russo

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee-Jackson Memorial Hyway name change

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Message

Yes, please change the names of both Rt 29 and Rt 50. Please don't name any roads, highways or buildings after people. Thank you.

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Re: Revising Revision, Honoring Honor: A Case for Naming Route 29 or Route 50 in Fairfax County After MG George Henry Thomas, USA

JS

John Stifler <jstifler@umass.edu>

Tue 11/9/2021 9:52 PM

To: Patrick Judd Murray <Smintheu@verizon.net>

Cc: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Elizabeth Mary (Kafka) Callsen <ECallsen@cox.net> +2 others

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Patrick -
Having grown up in Nashville, where "Battle of Nashville" historical markers dotted the roads on the way to school, to my father's office and to many of my friends' houses, and having traversed the Chattanooga corner where Georgia tries to spill into Tennessee (see the Copper Hill controversy, for example), I came soon to admire Gen. Thomas. Naturally I applaud your call for naming Route 29 or 50 for him, and I only wish you could get the Dept. of Transportation to put his name on all of Interstate 81.
Thanks.
John

On Mon, Nov 8, 2021 at 11:10 PM Patrick Judd Murray <Smintheu@verizon.net> wrote:

Ladies or gents:

Reactionary revisionist history—not all revisionist history enters from the righteous left—plunged us into this predicament. Yet responsible history can haul us out.

I urge you to name our stretch of Route 29 or Route 50 after a worthy Virginian. The Old Dominion sanctifies N. Bedford Forrest, a Tennessean (though I admit that, as a sufferer from First-Name-Deficiency Syndrome, he sure *sounds* like a Virginian) and the first Grand Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan; P. G. & E. Beauregard, a weakly magnetic Louisianan; Earl Van Dorn, a Mississippian and “serial adulterer”; and Jefferson Davis, another Mississippian and mere sporadic adulterer. Unlike those often venereal yet always venerated outlanders, my Virginian didn’t abjure his sworn allegiance to our country in its “most need,” or to his wife. But, hey, nobody’s perfect. Besides, what he gives away in disloyalty he makes up in locality. I mean the splendid son of Southampton County, **George Henry Thomas**.

Soldier You want *valor*? While half of the Confederacy assailed his army, and half of that half assailed his corps, the bulky Virginian—a target conspicuous enough on foot—rallied his corps from horseback. You want *prowess*? He wrought the martial analog to a nine-inning perfect game: He served not on fields of dreams but in fields of mortal combat, he served there for the four-year “duration,” and *he never lost*.

Thomas won decisive battles across the Middle Theater. He gained renown as the Rock of Chickamauga because in northern Georgia he prevented a rout of the Army of the Cumberland, and as the Sledge of Nashville because in central Tennessee he devastated the Army of Tennessee. The sort of stroke George Pickett’s *outside agitators* attempted at Gettysburg, Thomas's forces accomplished—up rather ornerier terrain, to rather fainter acclaim—at Missionary Ridge (“On, Wisconsin!”).

With these brilliant feats of defense and offense, and with further estimable victories at Stones River and Peachtree Creek, at Mill Springs and Murfreesboro, Thomas sped redemption of Atlanta and the Atlantic coast by William Tecumseh Sherman. Along these *strong encounters* he helped to keep the United States united and so to preserve what one memorial, not from around here, in its innocence identifies as “constitutional government and human liberty.”

By his firm behavior throughout the War, Thomas placed himself among the ranks of the bravest and cleverest commanders from either side: Ulysses Grant, Phil Sheridan, and Sherman; James Longstreet, Pat Cleburne, and Joe Johnston. By it, he proved himself to be what Sherman assayed him to be: “as true as steel.”

Patriot Fanciers of James (“*beautiful* plumage!”) Stuart, John (ditto) Mosby, George Pickett, Richard Ewell, Thomas Jackson, Robert Lee, and the other Virginians that chose wrong insist that supporting secession was the sole *possible* choice (no choice) and therefore they ignore Thomas as chimerical. Reactionary political correctness—not all political correctness enters from the righteous left—insists that supporting secession was the sole *proper* choice and therefore it condemns him as contumacious. (Confederates confront this contradiction with customary clarity and candor.) Yet he both could and did choose right. *Stuart* wanted to “hang, hang” *him* for treason! His example affords an irrebuttable, perpetual rebuke of Confederates then. This explains the shameless hostility of Confederates now. (Perhaps it explains only most such hostility: Having injured him, they also will not forgive him for their having injured him [La Rochefoucauld, *Maximes*, I, 304].)

Yes, Thomas fought better than those Virginians—despite the One-Drop Rule, under which the ashes of every cracker that donned butternut should repose with those of heavy-armored Hellenes and plaid-clad Highlanders in Elysian sublimity, and under which the ashes of every grandee that donned gray "should ... [mingle] with those of Caesar, in the field of Mars, and among the antient monuments of Roman virtue" [Gibbon, *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, Chapter XXIV] ... each cracker and each grandee “with a glory in his bosom that transfigures” each, plus us. And so, yes, by prodigious deeds through arduous campaigns Thomas did more than 'most anybody else to ensure that the Lost Cause lost. What apologists for that Cause really cannot abide, however, quite aside from his rivin' their idols up an' drivin' Ol’ Dixie down, is, again, that Thomas chose right.

Boy and Mensch When Nat Turner’s Insurrection detonated close to home, Thomas was 15. He led his family to safety. How? Someone must have pulled his coat. Why? While evidence is meager, he seems to have treated his black playmates with uncommon decency and, in that artless way, to have ingratiated himself with them. An engineer in spirit before he even reached West Point, he liked pulling things apart to see how they work. A phlegmatic fellow, he druther see how things work than seize petty prerogatives based on spurious racial superiority. A magnanimous man, he spurned mean advantage or, in Hobbesian terms, displayed contempt for “little helps” [*Leviathan*, The First Part, Of Man, Chapter 6]. Can you imagine?

This much does appear clear: If any people in *antebellum* America could have rationally feared the fair and balanced redress black folks might exact once they struck their shackles off, those people were the ones Nat Turner had just missed massacring. Thomas still chose right.

George Henry Thomas quelled Rebellion from the Big Muddy to the Great Smokies, from the Logs to the bogs. *His* was the “duty faithfully performed”; *his* is the “heritage” worth driving home. He was the noblest Virginian of his day; he’ll make a noble namesake for our stretch of Route 29 or Route 50. Sherman predicted that the South would come to appreciate him (Thomas, not his own satanic self). Please demonstrate that, after dishonorable delay, at least the State of his nativity at last has come to do just that. *Pace* Jim Webb, “it’s [not] complicated.”

You needn’t believe me on these matters. Consult (1) Brian Steel Wills’s biography *George Henry Thomas: As True As Steel* and (2) Edward Bonekemper III’s survey *Myth of the Lost Cause: Why the South Fought the Civil War and Why the North Won*.

Patrick Judd ("Pat" or "Paddy") Murray
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Opinion of Rt 29 & 50 Name Changes

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Honorable Committee Members or to Who it May Concern,

I’m most inclined to support name changes to Route’s 29 & 50.

My support for a name change or modification are based on the following.

The names should have always been inclusive to the brave and honorable soldiers of both armies.

Men from Virginia served in both armies, although most certainly served for the Confederacy, certainly many served to preserve the United States. Also numerous Officers served to preserve our Union, I believe General Thomas USA being only one example.

I propose the name of these 2 Routes, as well as Mosby Highway be either changed to everyday heroes, such as Police, Firefighters or Medical personnel who lost their lives doing peaceful endeavors to save lives with no desire for fame, only for the sake of helping their fellow citizens, not take life for glory or medals as soldiers do.

OR

Rename to names to be inclusive to both armies or the battles they fought in.

My background and opinions are as a U.S. Army Veteran who was Drafted and served 2 years honorably, as a personal sacrifice to do something for our United States, which I feel all citizens should do, although that can be done, not just in war, yet also in a peaceful compacity.

I have lived in the D. C. area my whole life, 4 years in Virginia, during the actual Centennial years of the War, in the Burke/Fairfax area. I’m well aware of the background of many naming’s of roads, buildings or erecting of monuments, overwhelmingly in support of a Confederation who believed their rights trumped the rights of a large central government which represented all citizens and all states. Only this ideal of a strong Union has made our nation a great country and world power!

I’m a Grandson of the South, yet I do not aspire to the cause that my poor farming family may have. After all they were not protecting their interest, yet pawns used to protect the rights of primarily wealthy plantation owners or large agriculture interest at the time of the War. Or should we say actually the Revolution? Like the expression or not the Southern cause was in essence “traitorous revolt” and the actual first shots fired by the South and declarations by the Southern States of cessation from the Union (USA)! That we so highly honor and glorify traitorous acts and actors in the South, still now is surprising.

Oh need I mention my Great-Great-Grandfather lost his arm with the Army of Northern Virginia as a member of the North Carolina militia from the Virginia border area of Virgilina/Roxborough area.

I myself am Caucasian, raised in a racist environment, yet determined many years ago that I would not be a racist, since in my mind, how could I consider myself to be a Christian yet espouse racial views. Regardless of Faith, how could one consider themselves to be a kind, fair and honest human being, in the absence of a religion, yet continue to carry the inherited baggage of racism.

In closing, after all isn’t even much of our current civil and political discourse rooted somewhat in the hopes that the South Will Rise Again? Therefore let’s shake the falsehood of States Rights, as they were the guise to protect ‘the States rights to maintain slavery! That many of these Confederate names, labels and monuments were attached to honor and keep alive ‘the cause’, as many were primarily as a rebut to Civil Rights Legislation of the 1950’s and 1960’s.

The truth of this bitter fruit was the closing of many public schools throughout most of Virginia in the 1960’s, as to not integrate white and black students, with the cruelest of fates “knowingly depriving Black Children”, at that time, to an education. Although we should not be too surprised, as one of the most infamous laws, in the Old South, was the criminal actions or worse to be taken against any White who attempted to educate black people. This is not even to mention the third class citizenship bestowed upon returning Black WWII Veterans! Stories are rampant of how Axis prisoners received better treatment than the black GI’s.

Therefore is what we seek to preserve or change of these names an Honor or a Disgrace? Best we lay them to rest with their Glory or Shame, by naming them inclusive to both brave armies, soldiers of both armies, battles or with innocuous titles.

Most Respectfully
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renaming Route 29 and Route 50

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I would leave the names as they are since they are part of our American history To change names and destroy statues as some are doing, is to change history. In other words a made up history and not what actually happened. America's children can deal with the truth. It's the politicians who cannot. Teach American history not revisionist history.

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Don't let the snowflakes and WIMPs in Virginia today cause all of us to go crazy and try to re-write history. Remember they are in the minority both in brains and logical thinking.
Keep the names!

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Road Name changes

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I hate to be a bearer of bad news but.....

By changing names, removing markers & statues, removing books, etc. DOES NOT remove our history. What "softens" the blow of our past history is to learn it, understand as much as possible, LEARN FROM it & do your best NOT TO REPEAT it. Sometimes it is best to leave things where they were put by those people in our past so that we remember to make the change for the future. If people only remove 1/2 of the US past, in my opinion, that creates a stronger hate in the future of the half that is still remains.

In short, I do not think renaming roads does what many hope for. History cannot be removed no matter what until people stop the hate.

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Message

Do not waste tax dollars on renaming more streets in Fairfax County. People who drive are familiar with the highways. You will have to spend money with new street signs, maps, etc and needless to say all businesses on Lee Highway/ route 50 will have to change the name on their buildings and literature in their stores. You should've put this debate up for a vote on the last election! Many towns did give there residents a chance to vote on November 4th on these type of renaming and removing statues, and I saw every one of them voted against it.

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Renaming Lee Highway

RW

Robert Wheeler <Bobw@tranzglobal.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 8:03 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear all

I would think in the middle of a pandemic you would more important things to do than waste taxpayers money on something like this just so a few politicians can feel virtues.

It seems the last election for governor did not wake you up enough. The public is tired of this nonsense .

Robert Wheeler

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Absolutely No Do Not CHANGE

JW

Jeff Williams <jeff32williams@icloud.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 7:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Don't Change the Name

WW

William Worsley <wdworsley@gmail.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 12:57 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I want the Lee-Jackson Highway name left alone. I like the name just fine.

William Worsley

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Lee Hwy

AY

Aymn Ysri <aiy3f@hotmail.com>

Tue 11/9/2021 3:31 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Aymn Ysri <aiy3f@hotmail.com>

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Yes.

Highways must be renamed.

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Wed 11/10/2021 5:38 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 11:15 AM
To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: Confederate Names Task Force

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To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of Fairfax County and wanted to voice my enthusiastic support for re-naming any public places that currently have Confederate names. I think it will create a more inclusive and welcoming environment in our county.

I believe that honoring people such as Mildred and Richard Loving, of the Loving v Virginia case, would be a wonderful alternative to show respect towards a landmark civil rights case that was won in Virginia.

Thank you,
Margaret Kridler, PTA

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To the Committee:

Don't forget that the Commonwealth's award winning ad campaign says that "Virginia is for Lovers of"....How about history or heritage? Think how many state, county, town and city directors of economic development scramble to attract travelers on Lee-Jackson Highway. Travelers go day tripping or attend special events or eat at local restaurants or shop along the way. Yes, out of state travelers also. Think tax income to citizens of all colors. Lee-Jackson's history is a plus and a lesson in history for citizens and non-residents alike. Don't hide it.

I have completed the on-line form:

Fran Lewis
7452 Spring Village Drive, Apt 201
Springfield VA 22150
Home: 703-342-3376
hoosfran@aol.com

Note: Lewis family members have lived in Fairfax County for almost 80 years. Their family business , Guy H. Lewis & Son, Contractors, built highways, roads and bridges for VDOT throughout Fairfax County and the cities, towns and crossroads within it and elsewhere during the surge in

growth in Northern Virginia. Roads have been and continue to be constructed by skilled workmen of all colors and nationalities.

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Please remove names of Confederate insurgents from roadways.

MR

Margaret Rood <mrood@iglou.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 5:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Our country has committed enough wrongs against African American people, including that they were forcibly relocated to our land, without them having to suffer the indignity of traveling down roads named after the leaders who fought to keep them in bondage. People in Germany do not drive on Hitler Highway or Göring Boulevard, despite that all of the events of the rise of National Socialism and the battles of WWII are history. This is a wrong that should have been corrected decades ago. Enough said.

Regards,

Margaret Rood

Falls Church, VA

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Changing names of highways

P

Peggy <peggy.aderton@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 2:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force for Names,

Please do not change any road names here in Fairfax County.

Erasing history is expensive and wrong. I am not offended by the last names of Lee or Jackson. As a matter of fact, I have friends of Asian descent with the last name of Lee. In addition, I know several others whose last or first name is Jackson. If someone is offended by the name of a road, then they should refer to it by its numerical name; for example, Route 29.

Thank you for considering the citizens of Fairfax County above name-changing roads and use our tax dollars for the common good, not on road signs which force further burden on citizens, businesses, health facilities and schools.

Thanks you,
Peggy Aderton

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Lee hwy and Rte. 50

A

af <akkman86@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 10:31 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Ohhhh.....let me guess. Wanna kiss some more lazy black ass by renaming the roads after some lazy boot lip.

I better not see those signs.

How about Glenn youngkin hwy.

Reagan maybe??????

Waste of my tax dollars. Worthlessshit bags.

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FW: Lee highway Street

DI

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Wed 11/10/2021 3:45 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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-----Original Message-----

From: Michele Arkwright <mgamcg62@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 10:06 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Lee highway Street

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Why on this-green earth would you think it's necessary to change street names. No - I was born here and we don't want statues and streets changed. History should remain and child should be taught all of history not parts.

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Renaming Rat. 29 & Rt. 50

RB

R. Marie Brown <rmb2fam@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 9:43 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Q. Should Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County be renamed?

A. YES YES YES

General Lee represent fighting to keep slaves. He even made slave fight to keep slavery.

Jackson started the illegal Mexican-American war. Jackson signed a treaty for Mexican people to keep their land in all the stated taken by the US but instead he forced the Mexican people out or murdered them and took their land.

Lee and Jackson are forever savage pigs.

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Renaming Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

SB

Sherry Browne <sherry.h.browne@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 10:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear DOT,

I am strongly against renaming the two highways. The Civil War is a very important part of our U.S. History but telling only the Africa-American side now and eracing the Confederate history continues the pattern of a one-sided focus. History is the entire story with all its warts.....it is great that African-Americans are getting their stories out now but the Confederate and Union stories are also equally important and together make the full narrative. It is important to preserve all the history.

Sherry Hulfish Browne

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Renaming the Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

MB

Michael Bykowsky <mpbykowsky@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 3:05 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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DOT Confederate Names Task Force,

I am a resident of Fairfax County and I wish to express my support for the renaming of the Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

I also wish to propose that it be renamed the Kearney-Stevens Memorial Highway in honor of the two civil war generals who died fighting for the freedom of ALL Americans near the site of the current highway.

-Michael Bykowsky

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FW: RT 29 rename

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Wed 11/10/2021 2:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: CCutler <ccutler20171@cox.net>

Sent: Tuesday, November 9, 2021 4:36 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: RT 29 rename

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Stop wasting taxpayers money. Leave the RT 29, Lee Highway and RT 50 Lee-Jackson as they stand. History should not be rewritten for the sake of Wokeness

Remember, as county employees, YOU work for the **residents** (that's us taxpayers) of Fairfax County. Wasting our tax dollars on new signs, as well as business to spend their money to re-address their businesses is a **HUGE waste of money**.
Fix the pot holes and sidewalks.

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survey

WC

Wayne & Jane Chadderton <wjchad@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 1:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Tried to answer survey on line 11/10. The survey indicated I had already completed the survey. I did NOT. I feel to spend the dollars on a name change is absurd. Spend money on something which provides services or safety

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Thank you!

JC

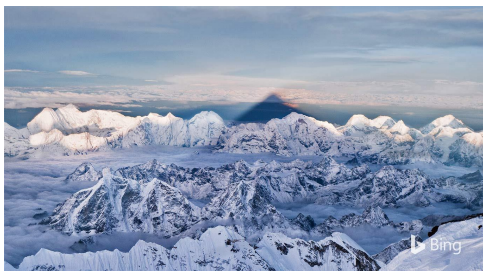
Jackie Wilson Cranford <jackie.cranford14@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 7:05 PM

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To the Confederate Names Task Force:

Thank you for your time, effort, and attention to renaming the offensive and hurtful tributes to confederate soldiers! I support changing the names of Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee highway.

Best,

Jackie Cranford

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Re: Fairfax County Name Changing of roads Survey response!

DD

Dennis D <dendipp@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 12:22 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Christina Wich <Familie.Dipp@gmail.com>



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To expand on the solution to re-naming streets, I wanted to add some more thoughts and ideas of solutions to the idea of correcting the past by renaming streets, buildings or institutions. Wouldn't it make sense to focus on building and making things in the County with names that fit our current understanding of things and life at the moment? Example if there is a need for a park, a playground, a community center, an institution that will enable equality and justice or new schools and or town centers, should the names reflect the current time and what new enlightenment we have that justice of humanity and or equality should be. Shouldn't we in this and future moments reflect those that are now celebrated as they were in the past when names of streets were built. Shouldn't the country be a reflection of our history and the history we are making and creating now. Wouldn't it be a better endeavour in fixing the present and making the future great instead of replacing the past??

I hope the solution ideas are helpful on how to best cope and focus the ideas of name changing and or erasing history by renaming streets. Maybe we should focus on building new things with new better names, but allowing the children of the children to discover that in those times those things were reality and now in our time we are making new realities and reality is the combination of the foundations the present and future we would like to make.

Have a Blessed day!

-Dennis G. Dipp

On Mon, Nov 8, 2021 at 6:12 AM Dennis D <dendipp@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi,

In regarding the Fairfax county Road name changes survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFXRoads>

As a citizen of Fairfax County and citizen of the Westlawn/Falls church neighborhood. With parents that are foreigners, I feel like name changes to an identity will destroy the identity of the area! I completely and wholeheartedly disagree with these proposals of Road name changes, especially primary roads in our neighborhood. If we start here, where will it end instead of focusing on more meaningful changes like traffic and or safety of roads, name changes should not even be in question, as I consider it a luxury priority.

I feel like US identity is under attack with "erase culture", please prevent this from destroying the future by not acknowledging or allowing people that at the time and during

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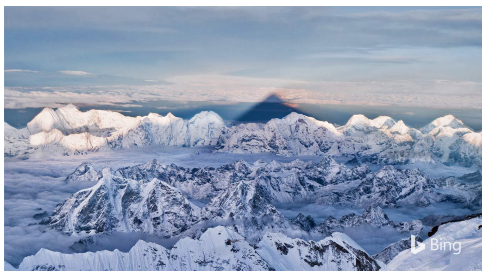
William Duval <wdduval@me.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 6:55 PM

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This seems wasteful I like and know the old names.

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Bill Duval

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street names

DW

d_d W <dwraus@gmail.com>

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Re-naming Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway

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Transportation

Wed 11/10/2021 8:43 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Neil Eisner (not verified) (neileisner@gmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at

https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Fconfederate_names_task_force&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C9c056cad3a65461dda4208d9a48acf48%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637721738352559479%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=Atw5cWBVh3mqda8bsCLQeQMviMqhagM0rMvYfd64G7E%3D&reserved=0.

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The names should be changed. We should not be honoring slave holders and Confederate soldiers.

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RENAME LEE-JACKSON MEMORIAL HWY AND LEE HWY.

GE

Grover Espinoza <grover.espinoza@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 1:08 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Grover Espinoza <grover.espinoza@yahoo.com>

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DEAR SIR:

PLEASE KEEP OUR OR USA HISTORY AS IT IS, "DO NOT CHANGE" THE NAMES OF THIS TWO HIGHWAYS,
LET THE NEW GENERATIONS LEARN OUR HISTORY AND JUDGE.

ALMOST THE WHOLE WORLD DOES, WE CAN'T CHANGE THE I OR THE II WORLD WARS.

tHANK YOU.

GROVER ESPINOZA, M.D.

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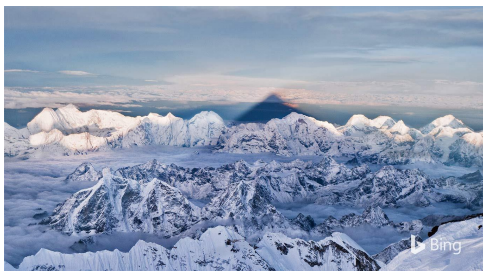
Eddie French <edfrench@verizon.net>

Wed 11/10/2021 4:11 PM

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E. French

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Highway Name Changes - Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

JF

J ANDERSON FRIX <jafrix@verizon.net>

Wed 11/10/2021 2:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am opposed to changing the names of the subject highways. The cost of multiple businesses having to change their addresses in the name of "political correctness", or what ever you want to call it, needs to be considered.

Andy Frix
1166 Bandy Run Rd.
Herndon, VA. 20170
703-217-9639 cell phone

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Citizen Feedback

FG

Frank Guest <commodore31@icloud.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 3:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am a four decade resident of Fairfax County. I strongly oppose changing the names of schools/highways etc named after Confederate Military leaders - particularly those that had distinguished combat service pre or post Civil War - as is the case with Generals Lee and Jackson who are historical American figures in their own right. Whether or not they ever owned slaves should - alone - not be a litmus test or else they same would apply to a large number of our nations founding fathers and early presidents.

Confederate States Politicians is another thing, no problem with changing those names. Actually the same applies to President Andrew Johnson who followed Lincoln as President. Nothing should be named after him. But leave the soldiers names alone.

Frank Guest.
703-980-2526.

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Please excuse any typos

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Confederate Names on Roads and Highways

LH

Larry Hatcher <Larry_Hatcher@msn.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 3:54 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Gold Morning: I have very strong feelings about Confederate names for highways. Although I grew up in Arkansas and now proudly live in Virginia, another Southern state, I have always felt that Confederate soldiers should NOT be honored with names on roads, statues, building, bridges, etc. General Robert E Lee also thought that they shouldn't be honored. My family feels the very same way. Sincerely, Larry M Hatcher, 8473 Nicole Ct, Annandale, VA 22003

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WH

William Hoh <william_hoh@icloud.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 12:28 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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America is a great country. It is a country countless immigrants want to enter. They want to belong to this country with all our good and bad history.

Interestingly, the issue hovers around slavery. In the world, I can't recall many nations, empires, etc that didn't have slavery as part of their history. Are we going to condemn and wipe from history every king, every emperor, every one who had slaves? Are we going to discredit their achievement from history. I don't think so.

General Lee fought because he was asked to by his leader to defend their territory. If he was in the North, he would have fought for the Union Army. He was honorable until the recent woke movement.

Jefferson is a great leader. An scientist, scholar, President, etc.. he had slaves as well as all rich people from the south. The rich northerners had servant, the southern had slaves.

If we keep erasing everyone who has done anything wrong from our history and forget their achievement. Sooner or later, history will only document the plight and not the achievements.

DO NOT RENAME HISTORY.

Bill Hoh

Fairfax Resident

1st Generation American who served to protect America for 40 years in the Defense Department

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On Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

JH

John Holland <jhollan5@outlook.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 7:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is John Holland. I am a lifelong resident of Fairfax County, except for a few years at graduate school and studying abroad. I grew up in Oakton, VA. I was deeply saddened to learn that you are considering renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Despite some of the beliefs of the men after whom these highways are named, and the government for which they fought, they were both loyal Virginians who did what they thought was best for their state. Racially, they were also relatively progressive for their time, which you would discover if you did the research.

Be that as it may, these highways represent a major part of Fairfax County's history. If we go about renaming everything because of the political winds of the moment, then Fairfax County will have no history. In the recent election in Virginia, voters completely rejected the party that campaigned on a racial agenda and "wokeness," causing them to lose not just the governorship, Lt. governorship, and attorney-generalship, but also the recently won Virginia House of Delegates. If that party persists in seeking to legislate everything through a racial lense, they may be out of power for a while.

In case you are thinking, "Yes, but Fairfax County voted the other way," my response is, as opposed to going on a witch hunt for anything named after a man you don't like, Fairfax County's Department of Transportation would better serve county residents by focusing on working with Washington Metro to repair its current mess. Silver and Orange lines are currently running only once every 30 minutes and it's causing delays for everybody! They released a statement that they are hiring "consultants" to tell them what they should already know how to do--provide safe and efficient transportation!

Please consider transportation priorities. The residents of Fairfax County need reliable public transportation, not new names for roads and schools.

Sincerely,

John Holland

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Lee Highway's

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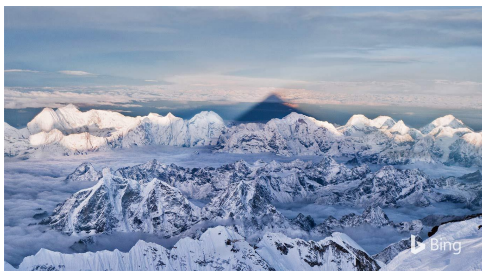
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Hi,

I agree with renaming these roads. I would suggest historical figures that stood up against racism and bigotry. I would also suggest naming each road after someone from Fairfax, VA who exemplifies the characteristics we all strive to be.

Regards,

Gavin Jackson
Fairfax Resident

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Street Renaming

B

bjacobeen@aol.com

Wed 11/10/2021 3:31 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force members,

The names should not be changed for political reasons.

Emphatically, **no** tax payer money should be spent on changing the street names in Fairfax County.

If the government insists on changing the name of these streets, more historical markers should be placed so our history is not lost. Also, all business and residents who are forced to spend money on the address changes should be compensated either directly or through tax forgiveness until the entire cost is covered.

This is an unacceptable expenditure of money.

Mr. Bruce Jacobeen
703-626-0770

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Lee Highway Rt. 29 Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy.

AC

AOL Customer Care. <bkeck2821@verizon.net>

Wed 11/10/2021 3:01 PM

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I think changing any of the names anywhere that is Civil War related is WRONG!!!!.

This part of HISTORY and should be continued to be that way.

Any name changes would effect millions of people with changing addresses etc.

Any important papers such as Wills etc would also have to be changed as well.

Any statues relating to the Civil War should also not be taken down.

I know our Black people want to get back at what happened to them during this time but as I say its HISTORY.

If us WHITE folks would start taking down any statues in memory of Black ones how would they feel?? There most certainly would be a Civil War over it.

This is my feeling and I am sure that there are a lot of older folks including Black that feel this way.

Barbara Keck

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No to renaming of highway.

JK

Judie Keithley <oretiredone@cox.net>

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1) It is very disrupting to change street names.

2) Even my 12 year old grandson told me without any prompting whatsoever that you can't erase history! Yes Lee was a confederate. Yes he did bad things and slavery was an abominable and inhumane practice. But it was more than 100 years ago. Be resilient in knowing the past was then, this is now and solve today's problems with practical measures.

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Names change

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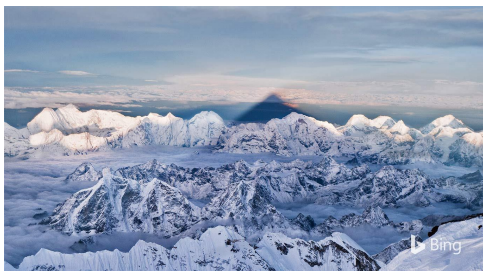
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As a long time resident of FFC, I am NOT in favor of changing ANY streets, highways or roads, regardless whether or not they are associated with the confederacy or not. Save the names for new streets.

In addition, it is too costly to change the names, not only for FFC but for businesses located on those streets. An unnecessary waste of money.

LaDonna K. Kile

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Robert E Lee

SK

Sa Ku <kunju2x@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 5:18 AM

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for allowing us to provide comments on changing names. I appreciate the situation you're facing, but as a minority, please understand that I do not condone this name change. I grew up in NY, and I know that these changes cost a significant amount of money and do little to actually heal any damage. People don't change because names are changed. There's history in the name and while the past is disappointing, erasing it or trying to change it does not change people. The core of the issue is concerns over optics and current perceptions of racial relations. I'm proud to be a Virginian and am pleased to be in a diverse community. But, if you're looking to improve racial relations or address past grievances, this is not the way to do it.

As a recent article noted, "Lee was distinguished from his contemporaries by an exemplary career, both in the U.S. and Confederate armies, of competence and honor. In later years, Lee also [distinguished himself as an educator](#): As president of the institution that is now [Washington and Lee University](#), he was largely responsible for fashioning the modern college honor code." He was a slave owner, no doubt. This is the sad history of the time. Removing his name does not change our nation's past. It tries to erase it without addressing anything meaningful. It also ignores what he accomplished and his impact on the college system. So, please use our taxes and resources for better purposes. I am against this name change and ask you to reconsider your plans.

Sincerely,

Sam Kunjukunju
Alexandria, 22310

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Dorothy Lamb (not verified) (dplamb48@yahoo.com) sent a message using the contact form at

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Message

I have lived in Virginia since 1960 and have been a resident of Fairfax County since 1963. I do not think the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be changed. I came down here from a New England state, from the "north." I have been interested in Virginia history and recognize the historical significance of Gens Lee and Jackson as historical figures and their place in Virginia's history. These individuals were part of Virginia's history and always will be. I, therefore, vote NO on the name changes.

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Re: Confederate Names Task Force

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David Lawson <davidtrevorlawson@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I believe that Fairfax County has taken a step in the right direction with the renaming of J.E.B. Stuart High School and Robert E. Lee High School and the removal of the John Quincy Marr statue at the Fairfax County Historic Courthouse.

These actions acknowledge that symbols of the Confederacy are symbols of white supremacy.

The renaming of Lee Highway (U.S. Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (U.S. Route 50) would be an important next step for the county to take along these same lines.

Thank you,

David Lawson
WT Woodson High School Class of 2004

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AGAINST Lee Highway renaming

RM

Rick Maedje <rmaedje@ymail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 11:10 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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We are against renaming ANY highway or road. Here are the reasons:

1. Besides the ridiculously unnecessary inconvenience renaming causes for everyone, renaming attempts to make believe "the confederacy" never happened, and that of course, would be a grotesque injustice to the slaves who were freed and the northern whites that died to rid the country of the confederacy and slavery. The confederacy existed. To make believe it did not is willful ignorance.
2. America is one race, one people. After the Civil War, Republican President Lincoln and General Grant insisted the country heal and they did not dishonor our confederate brothers who were also Americans. The victors gave the soldiers of the Confederacy their rifles and horses to go back home and start over. The war was over. there is no fighting about it anymore. renaming things is an attempt to start the fight all over again. that is simply, well, stupid.

These were people who were on the losing side of a horrendous war, but those were Americans of the Confederacy who were doing what they thought was right in their eyes at the time for their country and family. We welcome, as a nation, those very people back into the one race, one people of America. Dishonoring even one of those who did what they thought was right at the time. In short, you would be calling those people who decided to lay down their arms and AGREE in the end that slavery was not something that would be allowed in America- the very people today's "woke" sleepwalkers believe should be dishonored, are the very people we should look to as to how to lose honorably. Keep in mind, NO second war over slavery was fought.

As such, renaming things because of the fashion of a political fad today is beneath the dignity of America's history and people. It is a dishonor to those who were freed as slaves because it then pretends to separate black Americans once again today as though they were not and are not Americans who can see and know the awful history of our nation at times.

3. What is lost on the fad to rename things is that by the time the original highways were named, slavery was long gone, but there was a brotherly competition- as Americans are want to do- which amounted to a rivalry of sorts where people who did not even fight in the Civil War would claim that their generals were better than the other sides' generals- this is why so many roads and statues were erected. To also make believe that this is not part of the history of the country is simply willful ignorance and frankly abhorrent.

4. How many news jobs do Black Americans get if a road name is changed? How many new degrees do Black Americans obtain if a road is renamed? How many pay increases do Black Americans receive if a highway is renamed? Is racism really reduced because a highway is renamed?

Of course not. What is reduced though is knowledge about the history of the country.

Sincerely,

Rick Maedje
Graduate of Harvard University
Former Montana State Representative
Occasional consultant in the Virginia
Property owner in Fairfax County.

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My answer is NO,THE ROADS SHOULD NOT BE RENAMED.

How are you receiving any public input at all?

Your notice just arrived today, and the deadline is two days away.

This seems an awfully casual approach to a serious question.

I don't see how you're going to get any input at all, which concerns me.

I have tried all four options you suggest, and this is my last resort.

I am concerned about this civic inefficiency, carelessness, and lack of common fiscal sense.

Francie Meade

703-503-5696

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November 6, 2021

TO: Congressman Gerry Connolly
4115 Annandale Road
Annandale, VA 22003

SUBJECT: Proposed Name Changes for Lee Highway (Route 29)
and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

I received a survey this week in the mail from Fairfax County regarding changing the names of the streets indicated above. I **oppose** changing the names of these and other streets in Northern Virginia.

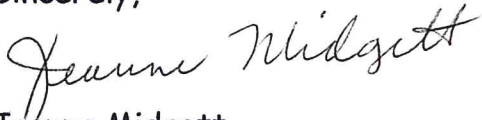
Virginia has a rich history which began with the settlement of our nation and the writing of our Constitution. Our forefathers' names are reflected in the names of many of Virginia's roads and buildings. This is our history, and they were patriots. Without them America would not exist as a free and democratic nation today. They were not perfect, but they are honored for their dedication to country. I firmly believe the streets named after them should remain the same.

New streets and buildings can be named after today's leaders who have helped to make this country a more perfect union. We need to build on the foundation our forefathers built and look to the future, not try to change the past.

In addition, it is an expensive task to rename these main thoroughfares. Every establishment located on these streets would need to change their addresses, the post office would have to change all directories routing mail to these locations, maps would have to be reprinted, etc. It would cause a lot of confusion, and the thousands of dollars expended would be better spent feeding the poor in our community, etc. I grew up in Arlington,

Virginia, and I am proud of Virginia's heritage. I am also proud of the current leaders in Virginia, like yourself, who are making history in Virginia today.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne Midgett". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jeanne Midgett
3413 Beverly Drive
Annandale, VA 22003-1110
(jcmidgett@verizon.net)

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Renamed Lee HWY

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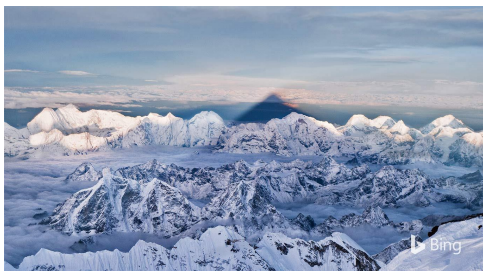
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Good afternoon,

I am not agree renaming the streets

Please put your focus in more important things and stop waist time and or money

Thank you,

Mireya

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Re: Confederate names on the highways

AN

Adam Norton <adammeche530@gmail.com>

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.....kind of makes it look like we're proud of their betrayal of America's beliefs that we've always written about, in favor of slavery and subjugation. We shall never forget what the confederate traitors did but like, how much money and time last year alone did we spend surfacing and maintaining rt29? And we're putting the mantle of Robert E Lee onto that? The guy who led them in serving death to the United States?

What sect of our population are we prioritizing, that thinks it's so important to preserve monuments to slavers? How about the victims of the confederacy and the people who were brave enough to stand against them? Since the Union was preserved I have to imagine there are enough examples of people standing against the confederacy and standing their ground. America is proud of our citizens and veterans throughout history who have made the hard choices, said what needed to be said and never backed down. Robert E Lee fought for the wrong things and it's messed up to name roads after him. I visit civil war battlefields all the time too. I study the history. People don't learn civil war history by driving on "Robert E Lee road" they learn that "Virginia must fck love Robert e Lee he must have really done great things" and -he did. Before Lee joined the rebellion against USA he had earned a lot of respect.

Thanks for hearing my opinions as a native Virginian all my life who only recently moved to West Virginia. You can see if you visit that state that some really don't keep their history in mind. And I wonder how much has to do with these big statues and all that "lost cause nonsense" that we allow. American slavery was genocide

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Do not change the names of Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Highway.

FN

Fred Nothdurft <fnothdurft@ibc.church>

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Why go to the expense for no good reason?

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Public Input On the Proposed Name Change

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Gerard Oleson <outlook_9192D5C1C7AEC2B8@outlook.com>

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Obliteration of History serves only political interests. We look no further than the Taliban action of recent times obliterating history and ancient monuments simply because they did not fit the moment. So too Northern Virginia has connected with it a rich history of immense proportions spanning 300+ years, all subject to human behaviors. To simply pick one moment of time and move in a process of obliterating it is robbing future generations of their truthful understanding and birthright.

The proposed so call righteousness act of changing names on streets, towns, schools, and now a major route name change in Fairfax is at best ludicrous. Akin to middle age cleansing of the witches among the village. Whom does it serve?

But pragmatically ,the Route name change is a costly endeavor to the tax paying residents of Fairfax County. The Proposal should be shelved until a clear economic cost assessment impact is brought forward as an integral part of the proposed decision on Route 50 name change. We have learned experience of the true cost to simply rename a few schools in both Fairfax and Arlington. Is not that cause to reassess the burden being overlaid on the taxpaying residents ? And for what purpose, which the name change Task Force has never clearly divulged.

Thank you

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Thomas Oliver <tomnann41@msn.com>

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Any name changes for Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway would create huge expenses for businesses and residents. Why make these changes while retaining the name of our entire county, Fairfax, as a tribute to a plantation owner who surely used slave labor? It makes so sense, morally or financially.

Ann Oliver
703-569-3019
Springfield, VA

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Change of names of Route 29/Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway -Route 50

PG

Patel, Nila G. <NPATEL@ULLICO.com>

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Good Afternoon. I am a Fairfax County residents since last 40 years. All I see is Lee Highway/ Rt 29 is very old name so we can change to any similar name something start with "L", I don't know which name but something related to into for some reference history in that part of County. I think Lee Jackson Memorial Highway is pretty new compare to Lee Highway / Route 29 so I like that name. I recommend not to change name or name is again something similar. Thanks for including residents in this name Task Force. Thanks.

Nila Patel
Secretary II
Real Estate Investment Group



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Changing Names Of Lee Highway, Old Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway.

J **janequill@gmail.com**

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I do NOT agree with changing the names of those in OUR HISTORY or changing our history itself! Our schools must teach American history so students learn how to be good citizens and proud of our country. All these people are part of our history and should always be part of our history. This is what Communists and Marxists do to take over a country!

Jane Quill
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571-436-6044 cell
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Changing the names of our schools

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Joan M. Quill <jquill2@yahoo.com>

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I do not agree with changing the names of schools.

I think your effort to destroy our history is misguided.

That's one method used by Communists to take over a country

Joan M. Quill

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Dear Task Force,

Why are we even having this conversation? I am taking a class in "The Civil War" to help me UNLEARN all I was taught about the War when I was younger. It is a MYTH that the South was fighting for state's rights. The South was fighting for SLAVERY and, given the similar racial crimes committed by the Nazis, one might as well look for "Hitlerstrasse" as a prominent street in Munich. Please drop the Lee, Jackson honorifics for highway names that reflect what's best about Virginia. How about Arthur Ashe Highway or John Warner Memorial Highway?

Bill Rogers

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Renaming Roads:



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Spending millions of dollars to rename brand new road signs is not a good use of tax payer money...

First:

Most people and most students are clueless about history and don't even know President Lincoln or who even won the civil war.. it's that embarrassing.

Second:

It's going to be a cold winter for the poor who cannot afford the escalation of fuel costs. I would prefer to take all funds from this study and dedicate it to the poor.

Third:

It's going to be hungry winter for the poor who cannot afford the inflation of food costs. I would prefer to take all funds from this study and dedicate it to the poor.

Fourth:

I rarely refer to these state roads by name. I always refer to state road 29 as 29 and I always refer to state road 50 as 50.

Worn out signs, should be gradually replaced with the state road 50 or state road 29.

I don't think anyone would even notice the seamless change...

End the grand standing now..

Joe Shelhorse

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No further renaming of Fairfax County roads

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Isoul@cox.net

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Keep / retain the Fairfax County road names: Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50).

Linda Soulcheck

Fairfax County resident

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Renaming Lee Highway/Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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sadachbia <sadachbia@gmail.com>

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I fully support renaming both highways. These persons made war against the United states to preserve a way of life that was both evil and unsustainable. This is not about "erasing history." History resides in libraries and museums, not names of highways. I cherish our history. I can trace my ancestry in Virginia back to Edward Price who settled in Essex County in the mid-1600s. When I'm driving on Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Highway, I think of my 3rd great-grand aunt Beulah Brooks. Her husband, Abel Mann, was killed by Confederate forces at the second battle of Bull Run. Beulah died shortly after that, leaving behind an orphan, Mary, just two years old. Neither Lee nor Jackson deserve to have anything named after them. So many needless deaths on both sides.

Best regards,

Mark Sullivan

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Lee Highway Name change

KS

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History is still history so just leave the street name the same especially in VA where many civil war historic battles happened. Also Lee Hwy is a long major road that many of us grew up knowing and our memories will associate with.

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William Tighe (not verified) (williamtighe@frontiernet.net) sent a message using the contact form at

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Renaming 29 and 50

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Connie Vargas <cdvargas1@cox.net>

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Please reconsider this effort.

The cost to homeowners and businesses to have signage, addresses, checks, business letterhead, and other items changed is staggering. Please do not change history.

The number of businesses and homeowners that will be affected is huge.

The cost to make these changes is not justified when there are other infrastructure projects throughout the county that need to be completed.

Please stop wasting taxpayer dollars on unnecessary spending.

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comment re: potential name changes

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Lee Vaughn <lee.vaughn@mcleanbible.org>

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I do NOT support the changing of the names of Lee Highway (Route 20) or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50). Thank you for seeking input from residents about these proposed changes. I feel we need to honor our history.

Lee Vaughn
Resident of Fairfax County (north Reston)

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public input to confederate names task force

PV

Phillip Vender <phvender@gmail.com>

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QUESTION: How many members of the Confederate Names Task Fore are persons of color?

COMMENT: Please remove all Confederate names from our public view. It is known that these names did not appear in public view (roads, monuments etc.) until many years after the war was over and the insurrection was defeated. They tried to destroy our nation and our constitution and lost. It's beyond comprehension why such people are honored.

I would appreciate an answer and the result of the committee decision.

Rev. Phillip Vender — 239.404.7254

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Alexander vonKuegelgen
<outlook_3966ACB89FD085B0@outlook.com>

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Do not change the names of Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Highway!!!!

Alexander von Kuegelgen
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8513 Frost Way
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Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

JW

Joan Wardwell <jwardwell@cox.net>

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Re: Name change of Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

I feel the cost of this out weigh the sentiment behind the name change.

Let's be frugal.

I vote to not rename these roads.

Long time county tax paying resident.

Joan Wardwell

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Lee Highway

RW

Rachel Watsky <rachelwatsky@gmail.com>

Wed 11/10/2021 2:42 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

I grew up right off of Old Lee Highway in Fairfax City and have obviously driven Lee Highway thousands of times. By keeping these street names we are idolizing bigots who fought to keep their fellow Virginians enslaved, and I firmly believe we should alter them to highlight Black Virginians such as Mary Richard Bowser, Virginia Randolph, and Nat Turner.

Thank you,
Rachel Watsky

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Cleansing history

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wwblevins <wwblevins@aol.com>

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Obviously you people missed the results of last week's elections. But keep up the antagonism. You'll be responsible for another Civil War!

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Lee Jackson memorial highway

SA

Sarah A <smmcca03@gmail.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 12:22 PM

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Hello!

Thank you for soliciting input from the public regarding this matter.

My opinion is that changing the name of the highway would be a small step towards helping those who were grievously wronged, during so much of American history (and even till today), feel that their voices are being heard. It's about time we listened to those long-silenced voices. So I say, sure, let's change the name.

Sincerely,
Sarah Angatia

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**Lee F. Arnold
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November 10, 2021

Fairfax County of Transportation
c/o Confederate Names Task Force
4050 Legato Rd Ste 400
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Re: Requested Public Feedback – Personal Submission

Dear Sir/Madam:

Most of us have long moved on from the Civil War. But since some want to revisit (and in the spirit of the “Forget Hell” Southerners of my youth, refight) the Civil War, Abraham Lincoln provides wise counsel on how to answer the question presented.

Lincoln firmly rejected the desire, held by many in the soon-to-be victorious Union, to impose a Carthaginian Peace upon the defeated people of the Confederacy. His Second Inaugural Address concluded with this vision for a post-war America: “With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan -- to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations.”

Lincoln also referred to the American people as an “almost chosen people.” While Americans were chosen to do just and great things, we were also inherently flawed. Because we are all sinners, we should practice the virtues of humility, charity, tolerance (in the true sense of “bearing with”), and forgiveness.

Stripping the Lee name from public places repugantly repudiates Lincoln’s wisdom. It reeks of malice, provides no charity, and seeks to rip apart this nation’s scars with a fervor that precludes any just and lasting peace among ourselves. If I can respect the Civil Rights leader John Lewis, whose courage I admire, but, as I can testify from personal experience, became a bitter and hateful old man, Fairfax County can reciprocate with grudging tolerance of Lee. Both were heroic. Both were flawed.

Like his father Henry “Light-Horse” Lee, Robert E. Lee demonstrated extraordinary courage and leadership as a United States Army officer. After his father was beaten and rendered a semi-invalid in 1812 while defending a Baltimore newspaper editor from a political mob, Lee knew how American politics can easily explode into violence. Accordingly, Lee possessed an even temperament – the opposite of those who dominated antebellum debate and, quite frankly, welcomed bloodshed.

Before Virginia seceded in 1862, Lee was offered field command of the Union Army but declined stating that “though opposed to secession, and deprecating war, I could take no part in an invasion of the Southern states.” That decision will always be properly debated. For those

claiming an unforgivable sin was committed, they should examine the Hartford Convention of 1814-1815 or recent local declarations of “sanctuary” places that illustrate the perpetual American conflict between local and national allegiances.

Lee should be honored for how he surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia at Appomattox Court House. In the Civil War’s closing days, Jefferson Davis urged continued resistance through endless irregular warfare like that exhibited in Bleeding Kansas and by Missouri bushwhackers. Lee refused. He acknowledged defeat, desired peace, and surrendered his forces instead of turning them loose on the countryside. Grant reciprocated by offering generous terms – upon pledging to never take up arms against Union forces, defeated Confederates were paroled (instead of taken as prisoners of war), granted free passage to their homes, and treated with respect and honor by the victorious.

After surrendering his forces, Lee returned to his men. An eyewitness reported: “General Lee stopped his horse, and, after gaining silence, made the only speech to his men that he ever made. He was very brief, and gave no excuses or apologies for his surrender, but said he had done all in his power for his men, and urged them to go as quickly and quietly to their homes as possible, to resume peaceful avocations, and to be as good citizens as they had been soldiers and this advice marked the course which he himself pursued so faithfully to the end.”

Because Lee commanded greater moral authority than Jefferson Davis, his leadership was followed by other Confederate commanders in surrendering their forces. Instead of irregular warfare, peace came.

In his classic 1901 essay “Lee at Appomattox,” the historian Charles Frances Adams – a Massachusetts abolitionist who fought Lee at Antietam and Gettysburg – described how at Appomattox Courthouse two warriors, Grant and Lee, were magnanimous in victory and gracious in defeat. In the wake of a war that brought much death, suffering, destruction, and white-hot hate, both strived to bring about peace and begin rebuilding America. For this Homeric episode in modern warfare, not only should Lee’s and Grant’s names be placed on public places but both men’s actions should also be studied and emulated by leaders in today’s bitterly divided America.

Lincoln’s assassination crippled the vision described in his Second Inaugural Speech. After Appomattox, Lee pledged: “to make any sacrifice or perform any honorable act that would lead to the restoration of peace.” In October 1865 and at the urging of Grant, Lee signed an oath of allegiance to the United States. In return, the vengeful Radical Republicans and fellow waivers of the “Bloody Shirt” – freed by Lincoln’s assassination -- indicted Lee for treason. Grant was so outraged by this violation of the spirit of Appomattox that he threatened to resign as the Union Army Commander-in-Chief if Lee was arrested. The indictment was eventually pocketed. Because Grant came to the defense of Lee, does that make him unwelcome in Fairfax County? Should we convene a task force to detect and scrub out all public references to Grant?

To see Lincoln's principles lived out today, leave Fairfax County and travel on December 4 to the Antietam Civil War Battlefield. On that evening, the annual Memorial Illumination will be held with 23,000 luminaries – one for each casualty in that horrific battle – placed throughout the darkened battlefield. The sheer size and density of the lights bears witness to the immense suffering that occurred there. Of those 23,000 lights, 10,316 represent Confederate casualties. No one suggests darkening those lights. Rather, charity and peace are demonstrated by honoring their suffering.

After his 1864 reelection, Lincoln urged: "Let us therefore study the incidents of this [e.g. the Civil War], as philosophy to learn wisdom from, and none of them as wrongs to avenge." This task force would do well to follow this advice. Lee's life is not a wrong to avenge.

But I fear that this task force will follow a tiny but vocal minority's hot rhetoric and ill-tempered desire for vengeance by scrubbing names from our past. In doing so, this task force will reject Lincoln's wisdom and temperament and Grant's and Lee's leadership at Appomattox. Rather, you will emulate the South Carolina Fire-Eaters and John Brown abolitionists whose rhetoric and hatred plunged this country into a horrific Civil War.

Very truly yours,



Lee F. Arnold

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Re-naming Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

LB

Linda Baker <luckyl8e@yahoo.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 6:40 PM

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My name suggestion is "Jackson-Lee Memorial Hwy" after Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee.

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway name change survey

BB

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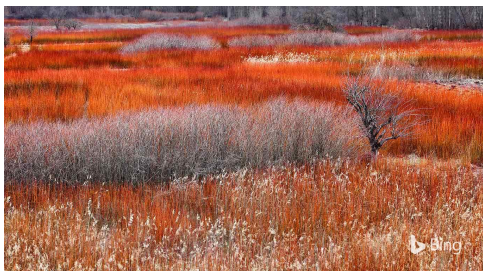
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My wife and I oppose changing the name of the Subject highways.

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Message

I respectfully request that Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

REMAIN as they are and NOT changed. Virginia gave us U.S. Presidents, Generals who sided with the Confederacy and the Union and is home to some of the most important founding documents, the Declaration of Independence being one of them.

To erase history is to erase Virginia. The entire country has good and bad history. What is important is to teach both the good and the bad in an unbiased fashion, not to erase it. It's bad enough that we have students who are not taught accurate history and civics.

Remember the saying, "The Past is Prologue." KEEP THE NAME LEE HIGHWAY AND LEE-JACKSON.

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NO to Confederate name changes

BB

Bob Botta <rbotta66@gmail.com> ...

Thu 11/11/2021 3:41 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Gentlemen:

I request you stop wasting my taxpayer money and your time on this foolish endeavor to eradicate names of historical figures from the public conscience. They weren't perfect, but they played an important role in the history of Virginia and the United States. Keeping the current names will permit new generations to know who these people were - the good and the bad - and contribute to a better informed citizenry.

Sincerely,

R. Botta

Resident of Fairfax County for 45 years

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Support for renaming Route 29 and Route 50

KB

Kate Bowerman <kate.bowerman@gmail.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 5:01 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear members of the Confederate Names Task Force,

We fully support your mission to review and rename public roads, and other public places, that bear the names of Confederate figures such as Generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson. We urge you to rename Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50).

Public places throughout the former Confederate states were named as such as a way to spread Lost Cause propaganda in the late 19th century and early 20th century. These names have no place in the public space of 21st century Virginia, and they should be left on the ash heap of history.

Clinging to old names as a relic of “history” or “heritage” leaves a poor impression on those people who live, work, and visit Fairfax County. It suggests that our leaders and populace are more interested in promoting a rose-colored view of the past than recognizing its brutal reality.

We suggest that road names should either indicate the purpose of the road (such as Alexandria Turnpike or Leesburg Pike) or honor people who embody the greater ideals of our country.

We appreciate your efforts to rectify this error of our past.

Sincerely,

Katharine Bowerman and Kanhong Lin

1660 Wainwright Drive

Reston, VA 20190

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Opposition to Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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GARY BOYD <2bdz@comcast.net>

Thu 11/11/2021 3:38 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Sirs, as a resident of Fairfax County, I am writing to express my rejection of any efforts to rename Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Regardless of what anyone may think of Robert E. Lee, the Lee family played an important role in Virginia and American history. Richard Lee landed in Virginia from England in 1639-40, beginning a long heritage of service to the colonies. Arthur Lee was a physician and opponent of slavery in colonial Virginia. Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee was a hero of the American Revolution. Robert E. Lee served his country in the Mexican War prior to the Civil War. Washington and Lee University in Lexington bears his name. These are but a few of the members of the Lee family who have been influential in Virginia history. In recent memory, the Old Dominion celebrated Lee-Jackson Day as an official holiday.

Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson highway do not necessarily conjure up the memory of Robert E. Lee. Instead, they remind all of us of the contributions of all members of the Lee family, who for generations contributed to the development of Virginia and America.

So, which Lee are you seeking to expunge from American history? Or do you want to remove all Lees from the record?

As you know, Lee Highway is not a new name for this road. The Virginia General Assembly formally outlined the highway in 1922, nearly a century ago. Similarly, Lee-Jackson Highway was named in 1919, more than a century ago. They have served us well for a century and do not need to be re-named.

How many people are refusing to drive on these roads because of their names? None, I suspect. How many people asked that the names be changed? Very few, I suspect.

I urge you to reconsider this ill-advised action spurred on by revisionist political activism that seeks to re-write the history of this Commonwealth and the nation. There is nothing to be gained by this action and much to be lost.

Finally, I am not pleased that you are wasting my taxpayer dollars on something as trivial as renaming these historic highways.

Respectfully yours,

Gary Boyd
Reston, Virginia

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Charles Calhoun <charles.a.calhoun@gmail.com>

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Of course these road names should be changed.

I am a 37-year resident of NOVA and 31-year resident of Fairfax County, and since my first visit to the area I have been asking "Why isn't Robert E. Lee considered a traitor? Why aren't all the officers of the Confederate States Army considered traitors for violating their Constitutional oaths?" That alone should be sufficient to dishonor these men, but once we consider their defense of slavery, there can be no question that it is right and proper to remove these memorials.

Charles Calhoun
Annandale

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Retain names of rt 50 and 29.

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patricia de young <e-pat@msn.com>

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Do not change the names, please. Thank you.

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Message

Do not change any names.

Who are we more than a hundred years after the civil war, to judge? In a hundred years, maybe people will condemn us for driving gas-powered cars because the environment is trashed. Do you think you are evil for having a gas powered car? Leave the names alone.

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Highway Confederate Names Routes 29 & 50

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Message

Please do NOT spend tax dollars to change names or history. Instead use money to teach history. The names are not offensive but a part of history - that should be explained. Remember they lost the war, surrendered, and yet led productive lives. If you chose to erase history then raise enough money to wipe out (tear down) all that the names encompass.

I say don't just change names, destroy the property as well - such as W&L University, Lee's Mansion - and isn't Arlington Cemetery on his property. Just once in my lifetime I wish we could elect or select an entire group of common sense individuals who would spend their time and our money wisely. How much is this survey costing? How much will name changes cost? And how much extra money do you have to fix our roadways - potholes, the extremely uneven manhole covers on Route 50, etc?

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do NOT rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Mary <dignanm121@verizon.net>

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My comment: Do NOT rename Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (route 50) in Fairfax County

Thank you,
Mary Dignan

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Support for Renaming Route 29 and 50

LD

Laura Markle Downton <laura.m.downton@gmail.com>

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Hi there,

My family and I live at 1111 Greenway Road in Alexandria. We strongly support renaming Route 29 and 50 in our county to celebrate an abolitionist in place of the painful and harmful Confederate names these routes now bear. As Christians and as parents we feel strongly that the injustices and racism of the past need to be named openly for the unspeakable tragedies that have wrought and to claim a future for the generations to come that celebrates opportunity for all people to flourish.

Thank you for considering our input!
Laura, Keelan and Evi Downton

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Feedback on Proposed Highway Renaming

ME

Mark Elfendahl <mark.elfendahl@yahoo.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 7:04 PM

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Dear Fairfax County Board of Supervisors,

I write to you today in strong opposition to the effort to remove the names of Generals Lee and Jackson from our collective memory by renaming the highways that honor them in Fairfax County. This effort is just another example of “cancel culture” seeking to deny any praise or benefit to major figures of history who do not align to politically correct standards as dictated by an increasingly demanding and intolerant segment of our society.

I am a resident of Fairfax County, a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point with 27 years of active-duty service in the U.S. Army, a combat veteran of Desert Storm, Afghanistan and Iraq, and a retired Army Colonel. I have been a resident of Virginia for nearly 20 years.

The current effort to portray Americans like Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson as irredeemable, two-dimensional figures, whose only real distinction is that they were associated with and fought for the cause of slavery, is totally ahistorical and transparently political. This effort is something one would much more readily associate with a totalitarian society like Jacobin France, the Soviet Union, or Communist China rather than a free republic like the United States. Moreover, the effort to deny Lee and Jackson their well-deserved places of honor in our history stems from a misbegotten desire to appease the loudest and ill-informed voices by reinterpreting these men and their lives according to today’s standards, rather than those of the times in which they lived. Were such a standard to be applied to all the major figures of our history from the 18th, 19th or even the 20th century, we might very well have very few great figures left to honor. Of course, for those of a more extreme view that is precisely the intent. But for others, who are more reasonable, and whose minds are open to understanding and appreciating our country’s history in its proper context, I submit the following concerning Generals Lee and Jackson:

Born to Revolutionary War hero and signer of the Declaration of Independence Henry "Light-Horse Harry" Lee in Stratford Hall, Robert E. Lee graduated ranked second in the West Point class of 1829. He married a granddaughter of George Washington and served for 17 years as an officer in the Corps of Engineers, supervising construction of the nation's coastal defenses. He was the senior engineer who built Fort Pulaski in Savannah, Georgia. He also supervised construction of Fort Monroe, built to defend Hampton Roads against British attack, and prevent a recurrence of the calamity of 1814 when British forces attacked and burned Washington, DC. Lee directed the engineering work that created the first harbor on the Mississippi at St. Louis, Missouri. He surveyed lands and updated numerous maps in Florida. In addition, he supervised construction of the extended break wall at Long Beach, California, which allowed that town to become later the largest seaport on the West Coast of the United States. As a member of General Winfield Scott's staff in the Mexican War, Lee distinguished himself above others, earning three brevet promotions for gallantry. His carefully devised plans enabled the successful storming of the Chapultepec in 1847, which produced a quick victory in what otherwise could have been a long and disastrous conflict. The success of American forces in this war allowed our country to expand dramatically and add the present-day states of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, and California to the Union.

From 1852 to 1855, Lee served as superintendent of West Point and was responsible for educating many of the men who would later serve under him - not to mention many of those who would oppose him - on the battlefields of the Civil War. Given his reputation as one of the finest officers in the U.S. Army, Abraham Lincoln offered Lee the command of all Federal forces in April of 1861. Lee declined and resigned his commission honorably, stating that he could not fight against his fellow Virginians. Throughout the war that followed, Lee commanded the most famous and most successful of all the Confederate armies. In battle after battle, Lee led troops who fought outnumbered, yet repeatedly outmaneuvered their blue-clad adversaries and humiliated their generals, no matter the odds. After the war, Lee returned home peacefully, where he once again proved his loyalty to the United States, eventually becoming president of Washington College. He remained in that position until his death on October 12, 1870 in Lexington, Virginia.

With respect to the question of slavery, it is important to point out that Lee’s views on the matter were entirely unremarkable in his day and age. They were, in fact, in keeping with the prevailing views of other moderate slaveholders, not to mention a substantial number of prominent Northerners, many of whose names today adorn highways, schools, and monuments all across America. In addition, Lee clearly recognized slavery as a moral evil, even though it was completely legal. At various times, he helped assist individual slaves to freedom in Liberia, and he provided for the emancipation of his own slaves in his will, in keeping with his sincere desire to see slavery eventually abolished, albeit peaceably.

There are those today who claim Lee was a traitor because he fought against the United States. However, such a claim ignores the fact that shortly after the Civil War, President Andrew Johnson granted Lee a full pardon for all his actions during the conflict. In fact, at various times during the 20th Century, Lee was celebrated on U.S. stamps, and his face appeared on several commemorative coins specifically authorized by the U.S. Congress. These are not the sort of tributes that are given to a traitor. Moreover, Lee's citizenship was fully restored by an act of Congress. These actions, much like the pardon President Carter later granted to over 200,000 Vietnam War draft dodgers, meant the offenses in question were as if they had never occurred. The question bears asking: Does anyone today regard the Vietnam draft dodgers as traitors to their country who deserve to be excluded from all public honor and a good reputation? Before signing the resolution officially restoring Lee's citizenship at Arlington House in 1975, President Ford stated as follows:

"As a soldier, General Lee left his mark on military strategy. As a man, he stood as a symbol of valor and of duty. As an educator, he appealed to reason and learning to achieve understanding and build a stronger nation. The course he chose after the war became a symbol to all those who had marched with him in the bitter years towards Appomattox. General Lee's character has been an example to succeeding generations, making the restoration of his citizenship an event in which every American can take pride. In approving this Joint Resolution, Congress has removed the legal obstacle to citizenship which resulted from General Lee's Civil War service. Although more than a century late, I am delighted to sign this resolution and to complete the full restoration of General Lee's citizenship."

Finally, it is very instructive, and perhaps eye-opening, to consider the opinion of one of our greatest presidents concerning Lee. There is no disputing that Dwight D. Eisenhower - raised in Kansas, a graduate of West Point, Supreme Allied Commander in World War II, a five-star general, and President of the United States - admired Robert E. Lee for his character without considering him a traitor to the uniform or to the country. In fact, throughout his eight years in the White House, Eisenhower proudly hung a portrait of Robert E. Lee in the Oval Office. Queried about this once in a letter from a New York dentist named Leon Scott, Eisenhower wrote the following reply, which I urge every member of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to read and consider seriously:

August 9, 1960

Dear Dr. Scott:

Respecting your August 1 inquiry calling attention to my often expressed admiration for General Robert E. Lee, I would say, first, that we need to understand that at the time of the War between the States the issue of secession had remained unresolved for more than 70 years. Men of probity, character, public standing, and unquestioned loyalty, both North and South, had disagreed over this issue as a matter of principle from the day our Constitution was adopted.

General Robert E. Lee was, in my estimation, one of the supremely gifted men produced by our Nation. He believed unwaveringly in the Constitutional validity of his cause, which until 1865 was still an arguable question in America. He was a poised and inspiring leader, true to the high trust reposed in him by millions of his fellow citizens. He was thoughtful yet demanding of his officers and men, forbearing with captured enemies but ingenious, unrelenting, and personally courageous in battle, and never disheartened by a reverse or obstacle. Through all his many trials, he remained selfless almost to a fault and unfailing in his faith in God. Taken altogether, he was noble as a leader and as a man, and unsullied as I read the pages of our history.

From deep conviction, I simply say this: a nation of men of Lee's calibre would be unconquerable in spirit and soul. Indeed, to the degree that present-day American youth will strive to emulate his rare qualities, including his devotion to this land as revealed in his painstaking efforts to help heal the Nation's wounds once the bitter struggle was over, we, in our own time of danger in a divided world, will be strengthened and our love of freedom sustained.

Such are the reasons that I proudly display the picture of this great American on my office wall.

Sincerely,

Dwight D. Eisenhower

With respect to General Stonewall Jackson, many of the same considerations apply, some even more so. Born and raised in a devout Presbyterian family in rural western Virginia, he was largely self-educated as a boy. He worked at a grist mill and on a farm, and as a young man he secretly taught slaves to read, in violation of the law at the time. Jackson cultivated manners and personal virtues that set him apart from others, many of which, sadly, go unappreciated today. He never drank, detested foul language, and never worked on Sundays out of respect for the sabbath. He earned his own way into West Point in 1842 and, after four years of intense and determined effort, graduated near the top of his class in 1846. Like Lee, he served gallantly during the Mexican War in command of artillery forces and earned two brevet promotions. Following the war, he served for ten years as a professor at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington. During this time, Jackson and his wife Mary Anna organized and operated a Sunday school for local black children, again in violation of the law.

When war broke out, Jackson - like so many others - chose to fight for his native Virginia. And in the short span of two years that followed, he gained a reputation as the most daring and successful general on either side of the war. He earned his nickname for his stalwart defense near Manassas, but it was his ability to maneuver his soldiers and strike rapidly against his opponents that remains unequalled in American history. During his 1862 campaign in the Shenandoah Valley, Jackson's army marched on foot over 600 miles in less than 50 days, winning five significant victories with just 17,000 troops against a combined force of more than 60,000. In so doing, he won the respect and admiration of even the best Union generals. At Harpers Ferry, Jackson maneuvered his troops so quickly around the defending garrison that the entire force of 14,000 men was forced to surrender without a fight. Later, at Chancellorsville, he repeated the feat on an even larger scale, attacking outnumbered nearly three to one, in a surprise turning movement that forced the entire Union Army to withdraw north of the Rappahannock. During this battle, Jackson was mortally wounded and died a few days later.

As a cadet at West Point 35 years ago, I studied in detail the tactics and battlefield exploits of Jackson during the Civil War. As a professional soldier, I came over many year to understand and appreciate how Jackson's military achievements have been the standard against with so many later military commanders have compared themselves. Among the great American generals who sincerely admired Jackson and sought to achieve a comparable level of battlefield success were Douglas MacArthur, George Patton, Dwight Eisenhower, Maxwell Taylor, Lewis "Chesty" Puller, and Norman Schwarzkopf. Today, Jackson cannot speak for himself, and it seems that relatively few dare to defend his name and reputation for fear of being "cancelled" by an intolerant and increasingly politicized popular culture. Nevertheless, the fact remains that the greatest American generals of the 20th century all acknowledged Stonewall Jackson as probably the most capable and formidable tactical battlefield commander in American history. Like Lee, Jackson has been rightly honored on U.S. stamps and on commemorative coins issued by the U.S. government. And like Lee, Jackson is deserving of the respect and honor we can pay to him today.

In conclusion, I urge you in the strongest of terms to retain the names of Generals Lee and Jackson on the two highways in Fairfax County that honor them. Viewed against the long backdrop of history, and judged by the standards of the times in which they lived, both men lived honorably, fought bravely, and were exemplary gentlemen and military commanders. A multitude of American generals, presidents, and the U.S. Congress have all agreed on this question, the painful question of slavery notwithstanding. If the facts of history that support these men's place of honor in our culture go unappreciated or are lost on many who currently reside in Fairfax County, the fault lies not with Lee or Jackson, but rather with our schools, our scholarship, and ourselves. Fortunately, with proper education, we can reclaim this part of our heritage before it is lost to future generations. This Veterans Day, I ask you to commit yourselves to righting this wrong and to restoring a proper appreciation for these great Americans. As President Eisenhower rightly observed, to the degree that present-day American youth will strive to emulate the rare qualities of men like Lee and Jackson, we, in our own time and in a divided world, will be strengthened and our love of freedom sustained.

Yours very sincerely,

Mark B. Elfendahl
Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired)
Clifton, Virginia

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Highway name changes

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I am opposed to changing these names. I do not believe that the names honor Confederate leaders, but rather remember a time in our history that cannot be erased but should be learned from. Thank you.

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Naming suggestions

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Hi Task Force,

Thank you for the work that you are doing.

I would like to add two suggestions to the list.

I would like to recommend renaming rt. 29 after Richard and Mildred Loving. (Virginia is for Lover's). They fought all the way to the Supreme Court to legalize interracial marriage in the United States.

I would like to suggest Rocky Versace for the name of rt. 50. He was a Hawaiian borne war hero.

I am good if the routes are reversed as well. Thank you for taking the time to read and considering these suggestions.

Best,
Moe

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Hi, the names should stay the same. They are part of history. It may not be pretty, it's still history. If you try to cover it up or try to change it history will repeat its self.

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The New Name Should Be King-Obama Highway

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These are two iconic African Americans revered around the world concerning injustice in the civil rights field and the healthcare community.

Respectfully,

Don Green

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Good afternoon,

We support renaming these roads. However, for simplicity, and to keep costs down, we recommend changing the names as little as possible. For instance, Lee Highway could remain Lee Highway, but just be named for a different Lee (such as Lee Majors, or Sara Lee). For Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway, it could be reduced to simply Memorial Highway, so that readers can remember whomever they may consider most important in their lives.

Thank you for allowing us to provide feedback on this question.

Cliff and Fabiola Green
Burke, VA

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Renaming art 50

LG

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How about Freedom highway?

Thx,
Ron and Lorie Greene

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I agree to change name of Lee Highway

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Dear Task Force,

I would like to share that I acknowledge that I believe that we should not erase our past, but I do not believe that we should honor those that engaged in a Civil War.

I agree that Lee Highway should be changed.

Rita Haley

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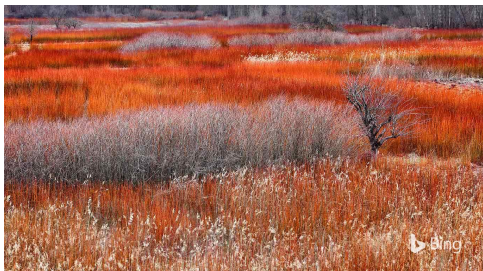
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Dear Task Force -

Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed immediately. Those names are vestiges of a racist past that glorify slaveholding traitors.

PLEASE - we are in the 21st century and Northern Virginia is a racially diverse region. We do not need reminders of this state's dark past, let alone attempts to render glory upon two individuals who had a key role in a fratricidal war that sought to create an independent slaveholding republic.

As a US Army veteran I am especially offended that Robert E. Lee and Thomas J. Jackson, two former regular army officers -- West Point graduates no less! - who betrayed their oath to the constitution and fought and killed United States soldiers are honored in any way.

THERE SHOULD BE NO DEBATE. RENAME THOSE AVENUES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Sincerely,

Carlos Hamann
Vienna, VA

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Growing up in Central New York State, a region rich in history,
I learned so much from the historical markers, names, and monuments that were everywhere.
In like manner, Virginia has rich history which should be preserved. It is wrong to erase all of this, instead of providing the lessons which guide the future.

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Name Change Lee Hwy & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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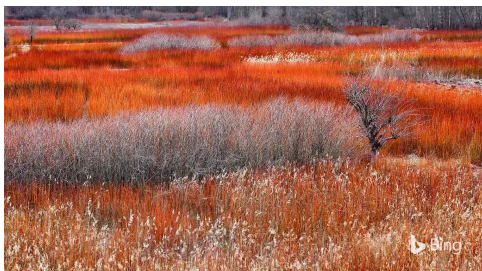
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Dear Committee and VA Department of Transportation,
Absolutely, positively, adamantly no change. Both Jackson and Lee were prominent in Virginia history. Lee contributed as much if not more to the overall welfare and development of this country than any man living or dead. Using affiliation with the Confederacy as the criterion to deny recognition is ridiculous. The Civil War is over. Try to follow Grant's lead.

Lee was never an advocate of slavery. Quite the opposite. The committee could never have been formed. If you really knew your history, the Civil War started over tax and tariff issues, not slavery. The Confederate names, including Rebel Run, that have been changed should be restored, as should Lee's statue. Not a single person on the committee who is now judging Lee is in a position to do so, in my opinion. Who of you has a single accomplishment that equals what Lee did to save St. Louis. Which among you suffered direct harm from Lee? Why do you feel entitled to determine which historical events are "acceptable." By the way, Virginia is home, but both parents were northerners.

Again, I feel the citizenry has been manipulated and marginalized. This issue could have gone on the Nov. 2nd ballot. What criterion was used to select the committee? What criteria were used to target Lee and Jackson? How many people who are "offended" had ancestors 200 years ago in this country?

I would be pleasantly surprised to find that this is not just a token gesture.

Diane E. Dogan Hilliard
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Naming

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Dear Task Force Members,

My feeling is that the roads should revert to their original names. This respects the history of these roads and does not pose any additional problems of finding an appropriate contemporary name to put in its place.

Thanks for your consideration.

All the best,
John Holman
Alexandria VA 22303

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Renaming highways

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Do NOT change highway names. It is confusing to everyone, erasing history, and totally unnecessary. What is wrong with the "number" of the highway as it's always been? Route 29, Route 50, Route 66 for example. Why do you HAVE to give a highway, street, road, turnpike etc, the name of a person? Why can't it just be a number? There can be no argument as to "who" it was named after.

Leave well enough alone.

Thank you,

Susan

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Do not change the names

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Renaming these roads and streets serves no useful purpose

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I'm of two minds on this.

I do feel strongly that those who were traitors to the Union should not continue to be honored with highways named after them.

On the other hand, the prevalence of the names led me examining their careers and the obvious conclusion of their traitorous actions.

If we remove the names, we may forget the lessons of their history? Can society afford this?

So, let's get rid of these traitors names in public places, but find a way to record their ignominy.

Thanks for facilitating this input.

Bob Hunt.

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Message

I vote NO. As if it'll make any difference. And no, I am not a Confederate sympathizer. The reasons for not engaging in wholesale dumping of historic names, plaques, statues, etc., have been clearly expressed by many.

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RENAMING LEE HWY. & LEE JACKSON MEMORIAL HWY.

BK

BOB KUNICK <bobkunick@aol.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 1:34 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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NO, definitely not.

Robert & Rosaline Kunick
12223 Lee Hwy.
Fairfax, Va. 22030

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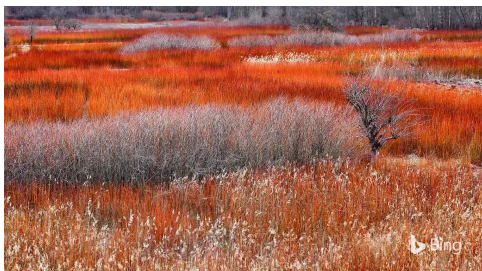
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The civil war was an extremely important part of our history and of course, Lee played a key role. It's important not to demonize people in the past. At that time, slavery was a part of life and was throughout history.

We also participate in things that are socially acceptable but should not be. For instance, we buy most of our goods from China. China uses slave labor. Let's be honest, our hands are dirty as well and we should know better because we live in a time in which it is common knowledge that slavery is wrong. He who has no sin throw the first stone.

I think that we should keep the names so we can have these types of discussions. People are way too self-righteous and feel superior today but they are not.

Sincerely,

Clare Lafferty

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Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

ML

Mel Laney <melvin.laney@gmail.com>

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Fairfax County DOT,

I demand that Fairfax County does NOT rename Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Attempting to erase our Nation's history will do nothing but cause more divisions in our community. Miles away from the palatial and ostentatious Fairfax County Government Center there are thousands of African Americans living in extremely difficult situations with substandard schools, housing and nutrition. The young people in these communities are angry and frustrated because nobody in Fairfax County Government is actually helping to improve their stark situations. Renaming Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway will do absolutely nothing to improve their lives. SHAME ON YOU for wasting tax payer money on politically motivated stunts instead of actually doing the right thing and helping people in the African American community!!!

Sincerely,
Melvin Laney

Melvin Laney
3316 Elm Terrace
Falls Church, VA 22042

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Yes please remove any and all Confederate names from any public road or building.

CL

Chris Lee <chris.s.lee@icloud.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 10:06 PM

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It is long past time that the names of racist traitors to our nation be removed from places of honor whether it is on monuments or names of streets and buildings.

Please consider renaming these roads with the names of abolitionists or civil rights leaders like Frederick Douglas, Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, or the late great Congressman John Lewis.

Thank you,

Chris Lee

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Lee Highway (Route 29) & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway(Route 50)

CJ

Charles Leppert Jr. <cleppertjr@gmail.com>

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Dear Task Force Members:

I am Emailing my Comments & feedback on whether these two highways stated above should be renamed ? As an old man who graduated from a fine Ivy League University & majored in History, I AM OPPOSED TO TRYING TO REWRITE HISTORY!! IT WILL NEVER STOP!!

Webster's Dictionary defines HISTORY, "a chronological record of significant events (as affecting a nation or institution) often including an explanation of their causes".Please do not try to rewrite HISTORY! IT HAPPENED!!

Charles Leppert.

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BM

Beata McBride <bi6013@gmail.com>

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Rename. Use indigenous peoples, African Americans, and Latinos as inspiration.

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Message

Board of Supervisors:

Please do not change the name of Lee-Jackson Highway or Jefferson Davis Highway. It would only be a political attempt to appease black people and gain their votes. There is no sense whatsoever in wasting time, effort, and money to change street names. Instead, why not spend your time doing something useful and non-political like trying to lower everybody's property tax bills? Spend your time doing something worthwhile, not trying to change our history.

Thank you.

William E. Meeks

Chantilly, VA

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Renaming Rts 29 and 50

JM

John Melone <johnwesleymelone@gmail.com> ...

Thu 11/11/2021 12:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Fran Melone <fran.melone@gmail.com>

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I urge you to abolish the names Lee Highway and Lee/Jackson Highway of State Routes 29 and 50 respectively, as soon as possible. We should not honor traitors who attacked the legitimate government of the United States. Honoring Generals Lee and Jackson is the same as naming roads in honor of the January 6 insurrectionists. Lee and Jackson should have been hanged, not honored.

If we wish to honor America's military men or women of honorable service and strong ties to Virginia, I would suggest General George Patton.

John W. Melone
9818 Tinsmith Lane
Burke, Va 22015

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Confederate Names

KM

Kathleen Metsala <metsala@cox.net>

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Lee and Lee-Jackson Highways

JM

John Moore <moore43john@gmail.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 3:45 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I believe Fairfax County should not change the names of the two highways as both men are figures of historical significance in our nation's Civil War. I would support a clarification on road signs of why they were important as Confederate leaders even though they were traitors to the United States and in Lee's case a slave holder. I'm not sure about Jackson's status as a slave owner.

Both highways lead south from Washington towards the numerous Civil War battlefields in Virginia that are National Parks and one of the key hubs of Virginia's tourism industry. Not to acknowledge their role in our history would be a mistake in my view and my wife's!

John and Louise Moore

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Confederate Names Renamed

JB

Joan Burkgren <newcarjoan@hotmail.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 3:20 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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YES! Change the names of Rt 29 and Rt 50. These changes are long overdue. Lee and Jackson fought against the United States and were unfaithful to the oath they took before the civil war as members of the United States Army. We should stop glorifying the deeds of men who fought to dissolve our nation. Fairfax County should not be promoting the "Lost Cause" mythology. Using place names of confederate generals must be discontinued. The county should honor those who have promoted unity and inclusiveness, not division.
Stephen Nichols

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Renaming the confederate locations and signs

JN

Jeff Nickeson <jwnickeson@gmail.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 4:01 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Good morning,

I would very much like to see the confederate names removed from all the highways and the confederate monuments removed.

The history, which notable historians agree, is that the confederacy was born out of the demand to maintain a slave based workforce and economy, which is a shameful part of history. In removing the names, we will no longer honor these horrors that a good percentage of our population ignores to favor a more glamorized version, which leads more into fiction than history. We should still teach these names and these crimes in our history books and place the notes in museums and in national and state parks, so long as the full history, not a glamorous and fictitious narrative, is presented. We should honor the real heroes of the timeframe, not traitorous folks who's history has been perverted to change the narrative to best suit a xenophobic, racist agenda, no matter how innocent those swindled into supporting may be.

Sincerely,

A Virginia resident and descendant of many confederates that some of these statues in Virginia and elsewhere depict, who are, frankly, an embarrassment to our family and shameful history.

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Route 29 and 50 Names - PLEASE DO NOT SPEND OUR TAX DOLLARS ON THIS

PN

Praty Nuta <prat.nuta@gmail.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 12:19 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Hello -

Please leave the names AS-IS and use that money to help other initiatives that help the people of the county. If any particular group is hurt with these names please ask them to fund the same.

Suggestion -

Lee and Jackson are super common names in this country. Please change the names associated with the roads to someone more popular and acceptable, maybe assign it to the memory of Michael Jackson and some other musician with Lee's name who kids can look at with pride. We cannot change history but can change who the same roads are associated with for a better future.

Stop dividing society on these trivial issues such as names which may be about 1-2% people who know or care about.

PLEASE SPEND THE TAX PAYER MONEY WISELY.

If you decide to change it, have the group that is having a problem PAY for it instead of using my taxes. They have wasted enough in the name of CRT and other issues. I saw how \$55K and additional money has been spent on things that gave ZERO impact to schools or society.

Alternatives for spending money

#1 Maybe we use that money to give one time special bonus to our FFX teachers for all the hard work they are putting in to get kids to speed from 1 year of virtual learning.

#2 Special food for kids who need lunch one day a week instead of regular food provided.

Thank you.

Pratyush Nutalapati

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Renaming stuff

M

Mary <patzface@cox.net>

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Do not rename Lee Jackson Highway. It is part of history. Put up a plaque somewhere to air your grievances. Shall we destroy Mount Vernon because Washington owned slaves? You cannot put 21st century sensibilities onto an 18th century person. The whole idea is shortsighted. Virtually all landowners in the South had slaves. Now we see that as a terrible thing. Then, it was accepted. Lee and Jackson were not horrible people. Just misguided according to modern thinking. Spend money on something else.

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Comment - Confederate Names

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Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County should NOT be renamed.

They should continue to honor the people who acted honorably in THEIR TIME.

Mary Jane Penzo

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Renaming Routes 29 & 50

PP

Paul Perrone <perronepj@gmail.com>

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I am strongly against renaming both of these routes. I was born and raised in Massachusetts and served in the US Army for 27 years and the idea of changing names because they have the names of Confederate generals is ludicrous. This is an Orwellian attempt to change history that has no end. It appears just to be a political move to satisfy the current left-wing mob that has infested American universities and government.

If the plan is to remove those names then to be consistent and to get to the root of the matter, any name associated with the Democratic Party needs to be changed. Generals Lee and Jackson were merely fulfilling their duties to the political authorities who were all Democrats. The Democrat Party was the party of slavery who supported the Fugitive Slave Law of 1850; they were also the party of the KKK during Reconstruction and whose President - Woodrow Wilson - had the KKK film "Birth of A Nation" screened in the White House. It was also the party that had Japanese-American citizens' property confiscated and then had them interned during WWII. Additionally, it was the party of segregation and Jim Crow laws in the south.

So if you want to start changing names, change them all. Anything associated with the Democrat Party should be erased from history because they were the force behind slavery and racism.

Paul J. Perrone
Lieutenant Colonel
US Army (Retired)
Springfield, VA
703-440-1361

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Message

Do not change any name, there are millions people name Lee or Lee- Jackson and etc. There is no relation between these names and all the wrong doing in the past. Every name can be related to some crime, wrong doing and dark part of history. It is becoming a fashion these days to request the name change of a place. It is stupid to constantly changing names

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Subject: Change of street names

DQ

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Changing these street names accomplishes nothing. It is only money loss for all the businesses on

these streets who will have to change letterheads and any forms of advertising .

The tax payers will pay for the street sign changes. We pay enough in taxes now.

If the changes made life better for people, I would say go ahead and change the names. I don't think

it makes any sense to do something a few people support, but the majority don't care what the names are.

F. D. Queen

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Highway Names

DR

Daniel Raveia <draveia@hotmail.com>

Thu 11/11/2021 5:25 PM

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I think you should add the word general before both Lee and Jackson

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Comments for Confederate Names Task Force

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ewrose <ewrose@cox.net>

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I don't think we should spend limited state and local resources on non-essentials like changing street names to satisfy the whim of the day. Re-writing history is a fools errand.

Eugene Rosenbluth
Falls, Church, VA

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Renaming highways

JR

John Russack <JohnGayle_Russack@msn.com>

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My husband and I feel the current names for Route 50 and Route 29 should stay as they are.

John and Gayle Russack

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Renaming roads in Fairfax

RR

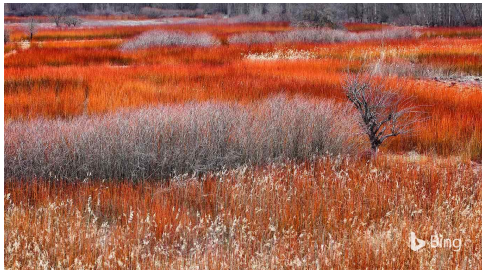
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All human beings are flawed in some way. They are the products of their time and understanding. These men were historical figures in Virginia and worthy of our "awareness."

Will you change the name of the Woodrow Wilson bridge? He was a huge racist. Washington owned slaves. Jefferson owned slaves. Where will you stop?

Both these men had many redeeming features. Their existences should not be simply expunged.

Rosemary Ryan

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Lee highway

DS

Dan Short <fpycreffs@gmail.com>

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Hi

I suggest naming the road after a different Lee. Bruce Lee or Spike Lee and the same thing with Jackson. Samuel L Jackson Highway. Seems like a better way. Is everyone with the last name Lee or Jackson going to change it? As far as Robert E Lee goes i dont think he would care about a highway being named after him. Im not aware of any signs that say Robert E Lee Highway i could be wrong if there is those should be replaced.

King Regards, Daniel Short

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Renaming highways

WS

Warner Stanley <deane.stanley@att.net>

Thu 11/11/2021 7:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear Sirs:

I have been a resident of northern VA since 1956 having graduated from Washington-Lee High School (as it was then named) in 1958 - going into the Army and returning to purchase my current house in Burke in 1977. As a twice wounded former professional soldier (RVN), I am keenly aware of the purpose and value of historical examples and lineage. And, as a trained professional, I am also keenly aware of the episodic misuse of historical examples and totems. Further, as a reasonably well read adult, I am not unmindful of the tendency for some activists to try and "stuff unpleasant memories of the past" down some Orwellian "memory hole" and thereby create a vacancy for a renaming opportunity to honor some "current worthy" personality, event, or whatever.

I am submitting these comments on Veteran's Day and so I will draw on my personal experiences to explain my thoughts on this renaming initiative.

My concern about the initiative is that I find it emblematic of the impermanence of political fashion. What is hot today is almost abhorred a season later; sometimes even sooner; sometimes longer.

In my case, the impermanence reminds me that when I went to Vietnam in January 1966, as I traveled from my assignment in West Germany - I was amazed, I couldn't buy a drink anywhere - fellow citizens offered and did so at every opportunity. I served 2 tours back to back. When I flew home in August 1967 (in uniform), I was a pariah. People didn't want to sit next to me, converse with me, and certainly not buy me a drink. And a year later, when I went to Harvard University to complete my Master's in preparation for teaching at West Point - I was assaulted, spit on, my mail vandalized, and rocks thrown through my apartment windows - because I was a soldier who had done my duty and served in Vietnam. And these deeds were done not by some ruffians - these were fellow students. Virtue signaling is not some new activity in our country.

So my point is - beware of fashion - because it will change. And frequently very quickly.

So why do we "name things" - especially public structures or artifacts. Seems to me that your group ought to focus on that. And, once you settle on that - apply that standard.

From my perspective - I've already "given at the office to this current renaming fashion." As I noted, I'm a 1958 graduate of W&L. I didn't care for process Arlington County followed in their renaming "process" of W&L - because it wasn't a process, it was a foregone conclusion/outcome. And to reflect my displeasure with the outcome chosen - where as in earlier years I had contributed several thousand dollars to the W&L Scholarship Fund - I have stopped giving - because W&L has ceased to exist. I certainly hope that the parties that pushed the outcome that obtained have assumed the financial support I formerly provided. But I doubt it. And so, worthy, needing students will suffer because of political ambition and fashion.

I raise the example of W&L because it seems to me that the initiative your group is working on springs from the same point of departure. Generals Lee and Jackson were both flawed human beings. Conjure up your list of human failures and flaws - Confederates (insurrectionists), slave owners, and I'm sure there are other imperfections - some large and some smaller. But in creating this list of objections, it seems to me that we should not be unmindful of their many positive virtues and attributes - and it seems to me that those positive features should be the focus to help guide other people in their personal example and development.

To me - it is incredibly dumb to only focus on their flaws - because any other human being that will receive the renaming honor will also have flaws. And so in the renaming event all that is being broadcast to the polity is that fashion has changed - and on some future day this honoree will also be recycled.

Is that the real message we want to send to our citizens? I think not. It's hardly inspirational.

I am opposed to your task. And I favor making no change. But I also question placing a person's name on a highway. Use a destination such as Richmond Highway or Middleburg Pike.

Sincerely,

Warner Deane Stanley III

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As a citizen of Fairfax County and Home Owner/TaxPayer, I do NOT want or need the Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) to be renamed! Historically these routes and names are valued and should remain unchanged.

Holly A Steussy
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name changes for routes 29 and 50

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Under the U.S, constitution in 1861 the states had every right to secede from the Union and form another

Country. Both Lee and Jackson did their best to repel the northern invasion. They always fought with honor.

This is in sharp contrast to the destruction of civilian food and real estate by the Union generals especially

Generals Sherman and Sheridan.

The names for routes 29 and 50 should not be changed.

Sherman Swenson

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Feedbacks On Names of U.S. Route 29 and U.S. Route 50

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Hello there,

This is my feedback on the ongoing efforts of reviewing the names of Lee Highway (U.S. Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (U.S. Route 50). These names are fine, please leave them alone. We have been using these street names for decades without any issue or concern. I am more concerned that our local government has chosen this topic as a high priority item to address, instead of focusing on more pressing issues such as local education and employment. I'd prefer my tax dollars to be spent to better serve the people living in this county with more meaningful priorities. Thanks for the consideration.

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Regards, Tao

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Do NOT rename that highway

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That name and others should absolutely not be renamed!

Prof. Vitz

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Evelyn (Timmie) Birge Vitz

Professor Emerita of French Literature, Thought and Culture, New York University

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I fee; strongly about this matter.

1- It is unfortunate that the individuals with slave-holding historical backgrounds did so and were tainted by their upbringing and the mores of many at the time. I believe it can go down in the record that they proved to be misguided by their upbringing which affected and tainted their human decision-making in hindsight, Though tainted, that does not negate the fact that they made contributions that rose above their own shortsightedness and many were called upon to stand up for what was to be believed to be a patriotic duty.

Nevertheless- what's done is done. Many folk today are not even aware of the role such individuals played, good and bad. So the name signifies nothing to them. History is seldom taught anymore.

More important is to move on. Correct history in the annals,. Such persons were not great in all of their beliefs and actions.

IBut----I do not believe that the cost and extent of eradicating long-standing names ---whom many don't even know anyway -- the cost is not worth the time, effort and resources that would have to be expended. Instead use much of what would be allocated funds (for name changes) and use them for some more beneficial and useful purpose/program-- and there are many. And perhaps include a note to the effect that such funding will make a difference going forward

In other words- I want to see my tax dollars used to make Build up for a better future for somebody- not used to tear down signage that won't make a difference anyway.

Humans are fallible ...so In the future- maybe just use numbers going forward. Man's evil often comes out after they are buried anyway so perhaps stop naming things after people. Put it on a grave marker.

signed: A tax payer who hates to see her monies used unwisely----

a laVerne warlick

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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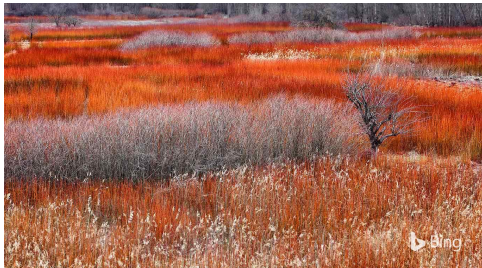
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Please rename roads. It is well past time for us to move on from honoring people who acted against our country. If people want to honor them on their own private property, so be it. These commemorations belong nowhere on publicly maintained properties and thoroughfares.

Liana Wright

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Highway Name Change

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No, I don't think the county should be spending resources - time, management, or money on this project. It is a waste of time. Who really cares about what the road is called. All I want to know is that the highway it is in good driving condition and routinely maintained, that emergency resources can access it in an emergency and it is safe for pedestrians and cars.

I suspect there are a lot of people who would like to have the name changed, but how many of them actually drive it? This country gets caught up in a lot of "much ado about nothing".

Just like the statute they took down in Old Town Alexandria. Drivers knew it was an obstacle to drive around, but I bet if you had surveyed the drivers, 80% of them wouldn't have known who the statue was.

When they renamed National Airport to Ronald Reagan - do you know how much printing had to be changed in publications all over the world, all the PR pamphlets, letterhead, etc and what a tremendous cost and headache that was. And for what?

Let's get real about the important things in life - like a good education for our children, good jobs, safe roads, safe communities, etc. Let's not get bogged down by the minutia.

Cathy Zeigler
Alexandria VA 22303

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Changing Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway Names

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I am of the opinion not to change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway.

Points:

1-There should first be established criteria for naming highways and other public spaces. This includes grounds to change a name.

2-There are other ways of acknowledging wrong doings in history without erasing names.

3-Is there anyone that does not have things that they have done and should not have done?

4-Might these men see things differently if they could look back now?

5-Let's change ourselves as Amanda Gorman's book Change Sings states, "Change sings where? There! Inside me. Because I'm the change I want to see." This puts our efforts in changing our own hearts and not names. Let's focus on our communities, and learn to know and live with one another.

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Renamed routes issues

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Hello,

I receive in the mail the feedback about this issue.

In my opinion we should maintain the names of the Route 29 and 50. Because Make history is understand the past. Also, history is a process that a country is getting better if we learn from the past.

Change the names of the routes, don't be erase the past. And if you change it will cost a lot of money from our pocket (taxes). This money can go to fix other routes or bridges that are getting old (Example a cross bridge over the metro rail in Rolling Road and Burke Lake. It has a lot of holes.

Please maintain the names.

Lilian Ancalle

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Highway name changes

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I am hugely in favor of changing the names of our streets and highways to reflect values that bring honor and inclusivity to all of us and. It might be worth considering not naming them after people.

Martha Anderson

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Renaming Routes 29 and 50

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Hi all,

I support the effort to rename Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) to something else. While it is one thing to recognize achievement in battle and excellence in military leadership, it's another thing altogether to memorialize the losing side. We don't see "Rommel Way" in Germany, for instance, even though he was a great general.

Therefore, I propose changing the names of both, maybe to reflect the winning side, say, of the Revolutionary War. I am not averse to seeing Lee Highway stay Lee highway if it is because of LightHorse Harry Lee's contributions during the War of Independence. Just because Robert E. Lee doesn't deserve the honor, doesn't mean his father shouldn't be so honored.

Mike Baer
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Renaming Lee Highway

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I vote no. Money can be better spent on anything else.

Maria Barba

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Don't change the name!

RB

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Why?

Utter confusion to drivers

Unnecessary expense in signage and re-education

Likely increase in accidents as a result of confusion by the new name

Those who burn the past are likely to repeat it!

This is a huge waste of time and expenses!

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Dear Task Force Members,

Please do not change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. For good or for ill, these people are part of Virginia and American history, and erasing their names from these roads is an attempt to make these people and in the case of the name "Lee," the entire Lee family, "non-persons."

Famous Americans, including figures from our own era, have done morally reprehensible things, and to this day, we continue to name streets and buildings after them, because they also did excellent things. John F. Kennedy is one example. He authorized the disastrous Bay of Pigs operation, escalated the war in Vietnam, when he could have de-escalated, and conducted adulterous affairs, even in the White House. Yet, he is remembered as an excellent, if not great president, for his rhetorical brilliance and for inspiring generations to go to outer space and to serve in the Peace Corps (which he established).

Similarly, the Lee family, Robert E. Lee, and Stonewall Jackson were complex people who did excellent things, in addition to things that we view as awful today.

The Lee family includes [many who have made significant contributions to this country](#). For brevity and convenience, I cite Wikipedia below. Robust descriptions of the full range of the contributions of the Lee family, Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson can be found in biographies about these people.

The **Lee family** of the United States is a historically significant [Virginia](#) and [Maryland political family](#), whose many prominent members are known for their accomplishments in politics and the military. The family became prominent in colonial [British North America](#) when [Richard Lee I](#) ("The Immigrant") immigrated to Virginia in 1639 and made his fortune in [tobacco](#). [Source: Wikipedia: Lee Family]

Members of the family include [Thomas Lee](#) (1690–1750), a founder of the [Ohio Company](#) and a member of the Virginia [House of Burgesses](#); [Francis Lightfoot Lee](#) (1734–1797) and [Richard Henry Lee](#) (1732–1794), signers of the [American Declaration of Independence](#), with Richard Lee also serving as one of Virginia's inaugural [U.S. Senators](#); [Henry "Light-Horse Harry" Lee](#) (1756–1818), [Lieutenant Colonel](#) in the [Continental Army](#) and [Governor of Virginia](#); [Thomas Sim Lee](#) (1745–1819), [Governor of Maryland](#) and lastly, and most famous, General-in-Chief [Robert E. Lee](#) (1807–1870), commander of the [Confederate States Army](#) and its pivotal [Army of Northern Virginia](#) for the [Confederate States of America](#) in the [American Civil War](#) (1861-1865). [Source: Wikipedia: Lee Family]

A son of Revolutionary War officer [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee III](#), Lee was a top graduate of the [United States Military Academy](#) and an exceptional officer and [military engineer](#) in the [United States Army](#) for 32 years. During this time, he served throughout the United States, distinguished himself during the [Mexican–American War](#), and served as [Superintendent of the United States Military Academy](#). In 1865, Lee became president of Washington College (later [Washington and Lee University](#)) in [Lexington, Virginia](#); in that position, he supported reconciliation between North and South. [Source: Wikipedia: Robert E. Lee]

"Military historians regard Jackson as one of the most gifted tactical commanders in [U.S. history](#).^[3] His tactics are studied even today." [Source: Wikipedia: Stonewall Jackson]

When considering changing the names of roads in Virginia, one has to wonder at what point changing historical names will stop. Gallows Road is an example. Today people consider hanging to be gruesome and inhumane, but the name of the road persists, though no one knows whether, in fact, it led to an actual gallows. The name of the road is a bit of history. Are we going to rename every road in the state that has painful associations from the past? Sometimes history is painful; reminders of even America's painful history have value and remind us how far forward we have come. They also provide an opportunity to reflect upon and discuss our past and plan to make our future better.

Please don't change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Sincerely,

Melda Boyd
Fairfax County Resident
Reston

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Lee/Lee-Jackson highways

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I do not believe we should change the names of Lee Hwy or Lee-Jackson Highway. Both families are a big part of Virginia history (Henry Lee signed the Declaration of Independence), as is the Civil War. To take away all the reminders of that event and what it means to us today would do a grave disservice to the men who fought on both sides. It is not memorializing slavery or the people who fought for it, but remembering that in this nation we fought to eliminate oppression of some Americans. That war reminds us that we, as a people, even today, will fight for those who cannot fight for themselves; that this nation believes in freedom. Taking away the reminders of our past, because it may cause unsettled feelings, takes away who we are as Americans and what we stand for.

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The Rt50 & Rt 29 survey doesn't seem to be fair. Seems one-sided to name change. I do not believe either of these roads names need changing. The wars are over by a couple hundred years. It's time to get over it. Who thinks of a confederate general while driving on the road?? Stop trying to erase all of our history. It's our history. Just leave it alone. Move on to something more pertinent to 2021.

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We thank you for asking.

Both Lee and Jackson are an important part of the history of Virginia, and America. We do not see a need to scrub their names from the highways that currently bear them.

Eliminating their names will in no way change the history of what they did or didn't do. They were prominent in their time and made an impact on our society and nation.

We oppose changing the names of highways, schools, buildings, etc. just because a noisy group of people don't like those historical figures at this particular moment.

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whether to change street names

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THE NAMES OF STREETS NAMED FOR CONFEDERATE LEADERS **SHOULD NOT** be changed.

1. In the first place it is horribly expensive to change the names of streets/buildings
2. It would cause all the maps/ directional assist services to have to change all the maps and mess up drivers royally.
3. Most of the people who travel on a road don't just sit and ponder where that name came from and if a survey was taken of random drivers most may not even know who they were named after; all the immigrants who have come here from other countries may even equate the name Lee with the many Chinese Lees who are in the US; and the Jackson could be after any number of people named Jackson including Jessie Jackson or Michael Jackson.

One of the wonderful parts of this state has been its rich history and you could take a trip and stop and look at the road marker signs or a monument and learn a lot of it's history. Both Lee and Jackson did a lot for this country that had nothing to with them having slaves. Look at all the good they did for us. It just happened to be a time in history where it was common to have slaves. Every era has things that are common that may not be the norm for the next eras to come but that does not mean history needs to be torn down.

LEAVE ALL THE ROAD MARKERS< MONUMENTS> ROAD SIGNS>BUILDING NAMES ALONE.

WHEN YOU change the names of things like that it wipes out individuals histories as well as the one on the sign. I feel like my whole history has being wiped out because my first elementary school is now someone's home; my second elementary school was torn down and a new one built in another location but it is not the same; my junior high swapped places with my senior high; then the high school name got changed when two high schools merged; then the college I attended changed their name when they became a university. I feel like my whole history has been wiped out leaving an empty feeling when I think about my education. Even the cemetery where many of my relatives are buried has just changed their name because it was Stonewall Jacksom Cemetery. STOP CHANGING THE NAMES OF THINGS.

Mary Elizabeth Castles- someone born in Va.; educated by Va.; worked for the state of VA.& Fairfax County; never lived in any other state; and plan to die in Va. And my parents, grand parents; and great grandparents were all Virginians too.

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Name change Lee Highway

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Yes I'm for changing the name.

How about renaming to Colin Powell Boulevard.

He was a great man and statesman.

The Republicans might be happy since it would be renamed in memory of a Democrats. People of color might feel proud to have a great man of color being remembered. Military might like one of their greats having a street named for him.

I'm a Democrat but had a lot of respect for General Powell.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Cooperman

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Dear Sir / Madam

Please do not change the name of Lee Hwy or Lee-Jackson Hwy. This would be a waste of taxpayers' money. These are names of a road and are not celebrating confederate soldiers. I can see that monuments and statues may be controversial, but I wonder how far this exercise in appeasing a segment of society should continue. Let's not get on the current political bandwagon of 'cancel culture' of our American history, including the bad and the good. If anything, we should change the names of roads to reflect the genocide that the Native Americans suffered in our county. I challenge the Board of Supervisors to name the tribes that used to live in Fairfax County. We don't hear the protests from that segment of our society as they are 'not as loud'.

Thank you for reading my comment.

John Crowley

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

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Please change the names of these roads. It is disgusting that they are named after these individuals that fought to keep slavery and also sought to divide our country and were willing to destroy the United States in the name of slavery. As for a new name, I would prefer something not named after an individual and something that is maybe reflective of our values as country such as Freedom Highway or Independence Boulevard, or of our proximity to the national's Capitol. While we never be able to erase the damage that slavery and the Civil War did to our nation, small steps such as removing the names of these traitors who believed it was ok to enslave people on the basis of skin color must be taken in order to better reflect the values of our society. The current names are a constant reminder to many minorities in our community that we are still honoring people that would have enslaved them and would have treated them as less than human.

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Dear Task Force,

It is unclear what public good will be achieved by changing the Confederate names. These are names that are first of all part of our history, we may not like it, but it doesn't matter, it happened and can never be changed. By changing names we do not minimize the pain of the disgusting practice of slavery, rather prevent future generation to learn from our nation's history the lessons that must remain.

In the words of old Romans: "Those who do not know history, are bound to repeat it.". Please consider that issue.

Sincerely,
Peter Dimov



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Renaming is defying history

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Inna Dubinsky <inna_dubinsky@yahoo.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 5:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please do not rename Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy. As writer and philosopher George Santayana famously said, "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

V/R,

Inna Dubinsky

Fairfax resident since 1992

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: Dave Erickson <daveschixx@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 4:15 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Confederate named task force

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To whom it may concern the disturbing thing about the name of this task force is that there is a task force worrying about Confederate names how much does this cost the taxpayers I understand some people are sensitive about this controversial names but before they were Confederates they were Americans serving the American army maybe came Confederates they were doing what they believed was right it was a different way of thinking then. As a country we were not perfect but like all countries you grow you learn what's next change all the names of schools and places named after presidents that owned slaves even some presidents that were in the k k k . Do you have any idea how much that would cost the taxpayers I don't want to pay for that I've got family members that work for Fairfax county schools and the stuff that you're going through now with this covid epidemic is very taxing on them mentally and physically for that little bit of pain that they receive the schools need attention the parks need attention the roads need attention people letter just able elderly need attention law enforcement and firefighters and EMS need attention wasting taxpayer dollars on this is absurd. You can't change history it happened I mean if anything what about the native Americans that were annihilated what happened was awful but you can't change it you can learn from it Stalin tried to change history but we're not communist at least not yet not . I would like to apologize if I sound like I'm ranting and raving but this is very disturbing to me and two others that I know that live in this county as it is I'm struggling now and all I'm seeing is my taxes going up and I'm getting less services. Sincerely concerned. But thank you very much for sending this mailer out sure that was expensive too but at least you are giving us a choice instead of other counties in the state that just decide to do stuff without asking the people thank you again for your service to Fairfax county

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Proposal to Rename Lee and Lee-Jackson Highways

PF

Paul Fahle <fahle76@yahoo.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 9:31 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Fairfax County Department of Transportation:

I respectfully ask you to consider keeping the names "Lee Highway" (Route 29) and "Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway" (Route 50) in Fairfax County. Please do not remove the names from the roads- they are part of American history.

I feel that northern Virginia has a unique obligation to preserve the memory of the momentous events that occurred here in 1861-65. Nowhere else in the country will one see such a high concentration of Civil War battlefields. The road names are a reminder that something of significance happened here and that Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson traveled these same roads. In fighting these battles, thousands of Americans struggled with the meaning of freedom in America. We, their descendants, have much to learn from their experiences.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,
Paul Fahle

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NO on renaming! How about spending MY enormous tax dollars on things that matter and make a real positive impact on the vast majority. Can't wait to move out of Fairfax county!!

FR

Flagg, Robert <Robert_Flagg@americanchemistry.com>

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Name change Lee Highway, Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway



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Dear Task Force,

My answer is no for the name change.

I really appreciate the brief history of these highways that was written. I was unaware that Lee Highway extends to California. Driving on the Lee Highway or Lincoln Highway might be a way a great way to see America, Road Trip! The brief history of the roads has just made me more convinced that their names shouldn't be changed.

My answer is no also because I would not ask those businesses or residents that reside on these highways to spend the time, effort or money to change their addresses.

My answer is no also because I feel there are higher priorities for our tax dollars. I am genuinely concerned about what inflation, higher energy costs are going to do to residents and businesses in Fairfax county this winter, for that matter the entire United States this winter.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to comment. I appreciate that I got a heads up with the mailing you made but it could of been a little sooner. I received the mailing last Saturday.

Sincerely,
Beverly Foster
Mason District of Fairfax County

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Name feedback

KG

Karen Gasper <klg4fun@gmail.com>

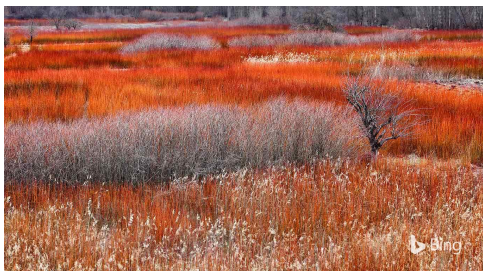
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> Hello.

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> As much as most people don't want it named after RE Lee and especially after Stonewall Jackson, a mass murderer. I didn't know the significance or need to have that name still on the highway. Updating the history or having it just after Luther Jackson would be fine. For the sake of so many people's mailing address and 9-1-1 info changing it would not be wise. Lee Highway can be named after so many other things. James Lee, or whatever. Just update it.

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> Thank you.

> Karen Gasper

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Confederate Name Changes

TG

Tyna Gaylor <tynagaylor@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hi,

I oppose the name change to Lee Highway and Old Lee Highway for the following reasons:

1. General Lee and the confederacy are part of our history and community whether we like it or not.
2. General Lee distinguished himself later in life contributing positively to reconciliation of Virginia to the Union and effectively redeemed himself through his ongoing service to America.
3. The cost to change names seems like a silly expense when compared to ending illiteracy in Fairfax County. Tackle things that matter - hard things - rather than pandering to the loudest voices who want symbols without substance.
4. Towns without history are boring and tourists do not go there. Leave the history in place and make an effort to celebrate newer residents who have made substantial contributions.

Tyna Gaylor

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Opposition to renaming Route 29 and Route 50

JH

Jason Hackl <hackljf@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 8:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Confederate Names Task Force:

I am a citizen of Fairfax County residing at 4304 Mission Ct, Alexandria, Virginia, 22310.

I am writing to oppose renaming the Lee Highway (U.S. Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (U.S. Route 50). I am not proud of the Confederacy, nor of the half-baked "Lost Cause" mythology that coopted Confederate symbols and figures at the turn of the 20th century in a misguided attempt to build an artificial "white identity" for Americans.

But it is clear that the current efforts to destroy Confederate monuments and rename sites and roads are driven by anti-civilization hatred eerily reminiscent of Bolshevism a century ago. Renaming these highways would be a nakedly Orwellian act to erase history. The people in the media, social media and Internet technology firms, the Democrat Party most upset about Confederate names have given every indication that they do not want the people of Virginia, both the rooted as well as new arrivals, capable of forming culture or community capable of presenting an alternative to totalitarian rule by technocratic oligarchs.

I don't like Confederate names. But I do not trust you to choose better ones. So please don't

—

Sincerely,

Jason Hackl

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Re: Proposed Name Changes for LEE HIGHWAY and LEE-JACKSON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

LH

Lisa Hawkins <lmhawkins1950@ymail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 6:54 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To The Members of Confederate Names Task Force,

Though I filled out the survey pertaining to the highway name changes, I'm sending this message to support my responses which were negative re. the proposed changes. (I apologise for an 11th hour email but knew about this only in the last 2-3 days).

This is a very bad idea. The history of the American South - for better and for worse - should be taught in as balanced a way as possible. To eradicate the names of schools, streets, highways, etc. is a tactic similar to the cultural purges of Bolshevik Russia; Nazi Germany; and Communist China. I know a little about that: my maternal grandparents fled Bolshevik Russia.

This will set a very bad precedent for the future of Virginia and for the United States itself. I know that many of these acts have already been set in motion nationwide. I can only pray the **Confederate Names Task Force**

will see reason and not proceed down a highly questionable path.

Sincerely - and I do mean that,

Lisa Merle Hawkins
lmhawkins1950@ymail.com

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Road name change

JH

Jon & Cindy Houttekier <thehouts5@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 10:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To Whom it May Concern,

My vote would be to just leave the street names as they are. We live in Virginia - which was the confederate capital. Like it or not it is a part of our history. I do not think the money that will need to be spent for the new signage is worth it. My tax dollars can be put toward better uses than this.

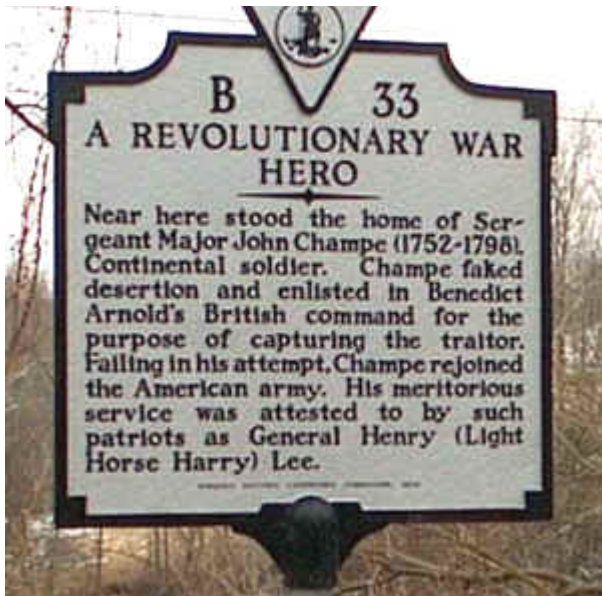
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Renaming Rt 29/50



John Champe was a highly regarded soldier in the Revolution. General Washington and Henry Lee trusted him to attempt the capture of Benedict Arnold in 1780. It was a complicated and dangerous plan involving a pretend desertion. Champe is honored near Aldie on Rt 50 with the above plaque. Near Aldie on Rt 50 one can also see a marker for Champe's home and a high school named in Champe's honor.

The reason I think this is a good choice, in addition to the obvious contribution as a patriot, is that the marker and some of the history are on Rt 50—the actual highway we seek to rename!

I have some family history I will share if you choose John Champe Highway among the main contenders.

Thank you,
Kathy Champe Jones
Vienna Va
703-242-0245

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

BJ

Beverly Jones <merwinj@cox.net>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force,

I do **NOT** want the names of **any** roads referencing our history to be changed because to do so would take away the history, good or bad, that everyone needs to learn otherwise as they say, you are doomed to repeat it.

I have live almost my entire life in Virginia. I grew up in Hampton Virginia, the oldest continuous English speaking settlement in the New World. The earliest history of America was all around me in Virginia. Jamestown and Williamsburg were nearby and I visited them often. My father worked at Fort Monroe which is also an historical site that I visited a lot. Indian reservations were close by as well. Living here is an historian's dream location. Fairfax County is rich in history as well. I learned Virginia history from its beginning and I am proud of that. If any of this would be changed or taken away, then no one would understand why this country was founded. And that would be a tragedy!

I currently live in Fairfax Virginia and have since 1976. Lee Highway (route 29) intersects the road I live on, Piney Branch Road, and is a major highway in our state. I've seen it as a 2 lane divided highway with no stop lights from Kamp Washington to Centreville to its current 3 lanes with 2 turn lanes. Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway is also nearby and as its name implies is a Memorial to the men of Virginia who made the history of not only Virginia but the United States of America.

Children of this country must learn the real history of this country and realize that history makes us better and stronger. Dwelling on the faults of the past only weakens you.

If you change the names of these highways, what's next? Should Fairfax County's name be changed to remove any record of Lord Fairfax? Will someone come up with another name that needs to be stricken from history? When will it end?

So in the end, I **DO NOT** want either of these highway names changed!

Respectfully,

Beverly S. Jones

4901 Piney Branch Road

Fairfax, Virginia 22030

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RE: Confederate Names Task Force [URGENT]

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Kathrin H <alohakh2010@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 2:28 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am outraged to learn that Fairfax County has established a Confederate Names Task Force. Fairfax County should be listening to the priorities of tax-paying voters. As a Fairfax County resident of over 25 years, I have witnessed our infrastructure falling apart – potholes all over roads, need for new street lights and sidewalks. Furthermore, there needs to be more funds placed towards educating our youth in mathematics, sciences, and English literature. Too many parents are having to take their children out of the public schools, and put them into private schools, because the public school system just cannot provide a decent education. If Fairfax County thinks voters want the priority to be renaming Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) – think again and listen to your constituents. They want their money spent wisely!

Regards,
Kathrin

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Lee Highway

CK

Colleen Kiko <kiko.colleen@gmail.com>

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] renaming Lee Highway

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Message

i wholeheartedly support renaming Lee Highway(route 29) from the name of a confederate general to a modern Virginia statesman or stateswoman such as the late Senator John Warner.

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Citizen Feedback Regarding Name Change to Rt. 29 and Rt. 50

JK

Judy L Kratzer <jkratzer@gmu.edu>

Fri 11/12/2021 6:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

Please count my feedback as being totally against changing the name of Routes 29 and 50. I see no need to go to such an extreme. It will cost entirely too much money that could be used more wisely elsewhere. Any change will be impacting businesses along those routes. The change would be adding to their advertising expenses.

Please vote NOT to make any name changes.

Sincerely,

Judy Kratzer

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Route 50 and 29 need new names

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Lawtons <Lawton1989@verizon.net>

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Please remove the embarrassing names from routes 50 and 29. They are hold overs from a time of oppression and lies about the old south from the mid last century. It is worth the cost to creat a more inclusive and forward thinking community

Thank you
Lorac Lawton
8721 Parliament Drive
Springfield VA

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Name Change of Lee Highway (Rt 29) & Lee-Jackson Highway (Rt 50)

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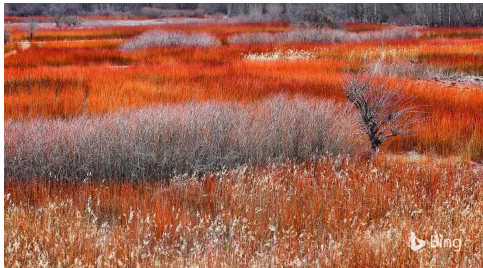
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I am NOT in favor of changing either highway name! You cannot erase history by changing either name. You LEARN FROM HISTORY so you DO NOT REPEAT IT!
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Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force

Re: Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway proposed name changes

Dear Representatives:

No, please do not use public funds to change the name of Lee Highway and/or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway in Fairfax County. This is frivolous spending and outrageous at a time when constituents are struggling to get by. Businesses and individuals will be forced to incur trickle-down expenses. History happened here. There is no getting around that. Embrace it.

Colin Powell was revered by Independents, Democrats and Republicans alike, appreciating his service, love of country, and impeccable character. There *are* no perfect people to name a well traveled highway after. If the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors determines to squander public funds to rename well-traversed highways, please consider naming them after Colin Powell.

Arlington County recently decided to rename a portion of Lee Highway to the tune of \$300,000 in public funds. Renaming public schools after someone to aspire to is understandable, and U.S. Army bases given the reasonable favor of promoting absolute loyalty within the U.S. military, but not something as commonplace as a street name.

It has been stated the current names do not reflect our current values as a community. This, too, is a flawed concept. No one is qualified to determine this for another. Nor will today's determination necessarily suit for next year or the year after. Thankfully, we are a nation of diversity and diverse viewpoints.

If the community truly wants such a change, challenge them to raise funding in advance. Replacing perfectly serviceable signage at taxpayer expense is unconscionably wasteful and an unnecessary waste of time. It does not serve the populace.

Well over a hundred years after the fact, a name becomes just a name, and it serves us well to have inert reminders of history lest we repeat our tragic mistakes. Only when we put our focus on race firmly behind us do we discover innumerable topics that need our collective attention—the monarch butterfly may benefit from renaming a major thoroughfare ***Asclepias incarnata Highway***.

Choose a name that is not reflective of any person—someone will always be offended. Opt for a struggling native plant name that is in dire need of publicity, community awareness and support. Take it a step further and plant struggling native plants in the medians along all highways.

Reaching a little further back in history we find tragically wronged Native Americans we might honor with a name change for a highway. **Manahoac. Chicacoan. Tauxenent. Appamattuck.**

There is no argument that slavery, and indentured service, was and is unequivocally wrong. The tragedy of the Civil War is our most humbling history lesson in what becomes of families, friends and neighbors when we insist on division, be it race, discrepant wealth, or partisanship. To move forward, we must let the past rest. I would rather any name-change expense be spared and earmarked instead for current efforts to rid our nation of hidden forms of slavery and human trafficking that exist today.

History is complicated and mistakes are made when we pass judgement by the standards of today.

Further, are we to entirely dismiss the fact that Robert E. Lee was also:

The son of Revolutionary War officer Henry “Light Horse Harry” Lee III? Later elected to the Continental Congress, as governor of Virginia, and serving in the U.S. Congress.

Orphaned at the age of eleven?

Married to Mary Anna Custis Lee, the great-granddaughter of George and Martha Washington?

In service to this nation and the U.S. Army for 32 years, distinguishing himself during the Mexican-American War?

Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy?

Desirous for our country to remain intact? Wholly conflicted, and reluctantly choosing to follow his home state of Virginia? *This* Virginia.

A skilled tactician, revered by his officers and men for his *honor*, respected by his opponents?

Was set free to return to his home with dignity, not *shame*, by his victor, Ulysses S. Grant? Declared once again to be our brother, friend, and neighbor, “our countrymen” from that point on?

There is no point in vilifying our fellow American, Robert E. Lee—if this was the position of Ulysses S. Grant at the time, who are we to question it now? It will not change the troubling decision he made then, the unfortunate carnage of families torn apart, the history of slavery in this or any other country, nor will it resolve the issues we face today. I say this with respect and consideration for all persons of our beautiful state and great nation, past, present, and future. The only thing we can change is our own response. We must forgive.

Otherwise, we are on a slippery slope and to what end? Do we close down Mount Vernon? Monticello? George Mason University? Remove all mention of the first ten presidents of the United States of America? Remove George Washington and others from U.S. currency?

Incidentally, though highly revered in their time and the desire to honor and praise them is admirable, neither Alexander Hamilton or Harriet Tubman should have been considered for the face of U.S. currency. This honor would more appropriately be reserved for those having served in the elected position of U.S. President, especially our founding fathers—who we must note were also considered traitors by some.

Thank you for your time and efforts.

Jeanette Martin
Fairfax Station, VA

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Jennie Lofton <octlibra13@aol.com>

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Hello:

Let me start this conversation off with some facts about myself. I have been a resident of Fairfax County for 50 years. I attended Saint Bernadette's and Lake Braddock Highschool, my children attend Keene Mill and West Springfield Highschool. I pay a very high price to live in this particular area so that my children can live in a safe neighborhood and attend highly rated schools. My heritage is Puerto Rican, Spanish, Syrian, and American Indian (Comanche).

During the 50 years that I have traveled on Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway, I have NEVER thought to myself that we should have a 26 MEMBER "task force", waste MY tax dollars to appease this new generation of political correctness. I have had enough of this. Do we not have more pressing things that we can spend MY money on. **How about fixing pot holes, building more lanes to end some of the congestion that plagues our roads?** When ALL OF THIS IS DONE...then you can re-address WASTING MY TAX DOLLARS on this CRAP!

Jennie Martinez

6507 Orono CT
Springfield VA 22152

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway renaming

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Lynn McGunnigle <lynnmcgunnigle@me.com>

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This is a ridiculous idea. Changing their names for a few people that have complained. These men were part of our history in a different time where the world was a different place. Don't try and change history. They were both men of courage and loved this country. People always have differences but they did what they felt was right for the times. The war was not all about slavery it was about State rights too. Trying to change our history is not a smart idea. Someone will complain about any person in history.

Do not change the street names. It's a waste of time and monies that can be used to tackle real issues like our drug addiction problem in this county.

Lynn McGunnigle

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Opinion

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Matthew Mills <ourvalleyhomestead@gmail.com>

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Dear DOT Task Force Team,

I realize that I am sending this in the eleventh hour but for what it's worth, I would like to encourage the use of the previous names to Highways 29 and 50 as they represent a large portion of not only our state's history, but also of the country's. Recognizing something significant is not the same as celebrating the occasion. Understanding the significance of the area you find yourself-whether that is because you are a resident or because you are sightseeing in a new area-is crucial to knowing what's gone before you. Virginia is often synonymous with Civil War history as so much occurred within our borders. Keeping the names as they are will cause people to ask the "why?" questions which opens the door to explaining the men, politics, ethics, and combat that surround these issues.

Thank you for your time,
Rachel Mills
Centreville, VA

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Change the names of the streets

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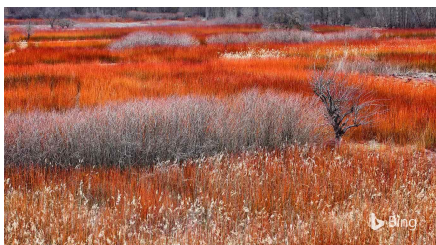
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Dear Fairfax County Department of Transportation,

I wholeheartedly support the changing of the names of Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee Highway.

I am very interested in Civil War history and have visited the Ox Hill Memorial many times. When I drive down West Ox Road, I often think of that ground as sacred when many Americans died at the hands of their fellow countrymen.

Because of my interest in history and the Civil War, I feel strongly that these names should be changed. I do not think that Confederate generals' names should be elevated on street names and bring pain to my fellow American citizens.

The historical importance of the route that Lee and Jackson took from the Second Battle of Bull Run that includes the skirmish at Ox Hill is remembered on a historical plaque. That is where it belongs. Perhaps information on it can also be available at the Fairfax Historical Society.

It is time for a change. We are learning about the systemic racism in our country and need to take all steps available to us - small and big.

Therefore, I support changing the names of Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee Highway. Perhaps, they can be named for prominent Black citizens from Fairfax County or Virginia, such as Frederick Douglass.

I am hopeful that you will have the courage to make these changes.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Janus Moacdieh
Oakton, VA

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Confederate names

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Anne Moriarty <selectteam@msn.com>

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Virginia has a proud history, many men and women who have done so many things we should celebrate. We should NOT celebrate or honor men who actively worked to break apart the United States. I strongly support renaming 29 and 50.

Anne

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Renaming highway

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I do not think you should rename the Lee-Jackson Highway. It is not as if the South planned to invade the north and take it over. It's not as if the north planned to invade the South and take it over. it was a family fight and when the war ended we became a family again. We DID NOT BECOME TWO COUNTRIES!!! Lee and Jackson were both fine men. Lee did a lot for his country after the war. You cannot change history by changing names.

Peggy Newhall

703-354-8583

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confederate names

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If not blighted by lack of reverence for the fact History becomes a great teacher as it lays hindsight before us during life's journey and it's said we learn by our mistakes; but they are often forgotten. Historical reminders are here to remind whether good or bad and the eradication thereof solves nothing. Doing so may placate some while alienating others which is what's been going on for years. There is much more to this problem than the reminders of confederacy and slavery. It begins with people respecting one another regardless of race, color, creed or social status. The time, effort, and money should be going toward solving the problem not burying history. This out of sight out of mind mentality has never worked People can change history doesn't and we must face up to that fact.

Respectfully;
Edward Nicodemus

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Renaming Fairfax Roads

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Meredith Olson <mereditheve@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 11:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concern with renaming roads in Fairfax County to remove references to their origins. History, by its very nature, is messy. It is filled with imperfect people, rife with conflict, and evokes mixed emotions -- as it should.

As a minority, I assume that I am part of the demographic you have in mind when you think of those whom you may be "helping" with the proposed name changes. To me, this is patronizing and distracts from the real problems facing our county. I do not wish to see our county's budget being wasted on street sign changes to supposedly coddle my feelings, when the things minorities like myself do care about are being ignored. The biggest issues facing Fairfax County include wasting too much taxpayer money, declining quality of education, increasing property taxes driving out lower incomes and raising rents, and traffic problems. Please tell me, how do new signs and street names help me in any practical way?

Frankly, the only real effect these name changes will have are negative. (1) More traffic as crews have to be in each intersection to replace the street signs. (2) More harm to our environment because the signs are made of steel; production of steel accounts for approximately 8% of greenhouse gas emissions. (3) More cost to taxpayers to remove and replace signs. (4) More confusion in navigating around the county because people will inevitably use different names, apps may not be updated right away, etc. Maybe it will be minor, like my Uber Eats order is delayed. Or, maybe it will affect emergency responders because people won't all be familiar with the new street names when they have to describe their location. Before you think that's far-fetched, please understand that my elderly neighbors still can't remember what the new number that replaced 7100 (Fairfax County Parkway) is, and that was changed how many years ago?

I am not offended by the names Lee Highway or Lee Jackson Memorial Highway in the slightest. In fact, I have discussions with my children about these characters and how complex they are in our history. To simply label them "good" or "bad" does history a disservice. Robert E. Lee fought for the Confederacy, but after the Civil War concluded, was instrumental in reuniting the country that was once divided. Able to put their differences behind them, President Ulysses Grant and Lee met in the White House in 1869. What an example of forgiveness and unity! Stonewall Jackson, in spite of his difficult upbringing as an orphan being sent to live with other relatives, his lack of formal education, and his disability, went on to become a military genius. He was another imperfect character. He owned slaves, and it was only as recently as 2018 that new research enabled us to learn more about them. On the other hand, he also defied laws prohibiting Black people from receiving an education by offering free education to enslaved Black people. Regardless of how we view his support of the Confederacy and the abhorrent ownership of slaves, he is a fascinating historical character.

The county continues to grow, and as we consider names for new roads, we might consider other historical characters -- even controversial ones -- that prompt discussions like this about our history. But let's not allow these old names to become a distraction from the real issues plaguing the county, and let's not patronize our diverse population by thinking all is well if we just erase the bad parts of history. I would like to think that we are both smarter and stronger than that. The bad parts are inextricably woven into the good parts of history. Our history will never be erased, and it is time to move forward in unity -- much like Lee chose to do.

Best,
Meredith

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Lee Hwy and Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy

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Patrick Palazzo <patpalazzo1@gmail.com>

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I do not believe peoples tax payers money should be used to change a name on a highway all because names such as Lee or Jackson might offend a few people. However, if the name must change then why not return to whatever it was called before Lee or Jackson were placed on the highway names such as "Warrenton Turnpike".

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LEAVE THE NAMES UNCHANGED. HERE'S WHY.

J

josephparisi1054@aol.com

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Dear Sir/Madam:

I'm writing to implore you **not** to change these highway names, for at least thee reasons:

1.) It will waste hundreds of thousands of dollars to manufacture replacement signs and cost hundreds of thousands of dollars more on labor for road crews to replace the old signs with new ones.

2) It should not be done to mollify a tiny, but disproportionately vocal minority who claim to be "offended" by the names.

3) It will screw up Google Maps, Waze, MapQuest, and other online sites and GPS devices and completely confuse motorists from out of the area who don't know their way around here and rely on those devices to reach their destinations.

Regards,
Joseph Parisi
Annandale resident

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Lee Highway, Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

JP

Jennifer Peters <jwynmcp@verizon.net>

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What is the criteria for naming a street or school? This is the parent question to whether or not Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway should be renamed?

I am for KEEPING the names Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway because of a lack of clear, legitimate, and long-standing criteria for identifying new names. If such a criteria exists, then this should be up for public awareness and evaluation.

I have yet to hear the naming criteria for streets and schools. Instead of a strategic, thoughtful, visionary naming process, I hear a knee-jerk reactive response. At this point in time in US history this popular response is against anyone who had connections with owning slaves or supporting slavery.

I agree that slavery in the US was horrific. The South as well as the North was saturated in supporting this evil. The treatment of any people as sub-human should never be tolerated. Yet it still is but in much more subtle ways.

Is there a criteria that will stay solid throughout time, such that in another 50 years there won't be another resurgence of renaming of schools and streets?

If you hope to have a name based on a person, good luck. Each and every one of us has vices. What will be the popular vice to condemn in 50 years?

I personally honor life. I condemn slavery in the agricultural South, and also condemn current day human trafficking, and the using/hurting of people against their free will. This includes domestic violence situations, honor killing, bullying, and pre-birth murder. What about killing during wars? How is that to be evaluated in the honoring of human life? There are a lot of grays.

So how would someone be selected to be the namesake of honoring human life? For me, anyone supporting abortion would be an anathema, promoting the killing of the most vulnerable population. Yet for many those people would be accredited and honored.

It is also dangerous to define a person according to only one criteria. I've seen that with political downfalls based on 30yr previous, culturally-then accepted activities. In contrast someone should be considered given an overview of their entire lives.

Each president the US has had vices and downsides. Apparently, for one reason or another, each was selected by the people for the position. How do we select which ones are "acceptable" and which ones not for naming purposes? How will public opinion change in the next 10, 20, 30+ years?

We are shortsighted to reactively response to the current political and societal issues. Does changing a name of a then highly respected man (respected for many reasons and living within the cultural standards of the day) benefit someone more than other pro-active legislation and opportunities that change lives for the better?

How will we be condemned by future generations according to living habits that we don't consider unusual now?

What do I think of the recent name changes? They tell me that there has been limited (though probably lengthy) thought in the process. Much more needs to be done in developing the criteria for new names. The inane names are intentionally non-offensive to the point of having no meaning at all. Will all our schools be "_____city_____ High School"? "Justice" has no meaning given the injustice of so many and the irregular nature of the passing of this name process. "Meridian"? I was told by a parent that the Prime Meridian went through that location. Is that the best they could come up with, particularly since there is only one Prime Meridian, and it travels through Greenwich, England? Washington-Liberty. Liberty? That's the best L-word identified? yet liberty is far from what many experience, though it is the desired for those in power. Lewis? Yes, Sen. Lewis fought hard and long for racial equality (the current HOT button for the renaming process) and in our congress for other issues. Yet, he was also a man, with vices as well. No safe bets for anybody.

Instead of focusing on the vices of people, let's focus on their virtues. Each one of these men were selected to be the namesake for a good reason. What were those? What qualities did they hold that were to be emulated, respected, admired, pursued? We forget that we are not currently our best selves and that we need the encouragement and example of others to be better.

Please work on, publicize, and open to the public the ongoing deliberation of naming criteria. In the meantime, keep the names that are currently in place.

Jennifer Peters
Fairfax County resident since 2001

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Routes 29&50

MP

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We don't want to change the names of Routes 29&50. Please keep the names as they are.
Thank you

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road name change

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Susan Phillips <philoqueena@msn.com>

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Money spent better to improve roads than all of this politicking. Why spend money on postcards etc. when we could vote on this next election?

I don't feel it improves anything that happened 100 yrs ago and we have BIG ROAD ISSUES and environmental issues due to sitting in traffic etc. now. Also Time is MONEY.

Susan Phillips
10067 Marshall Pond Rd.
Burke VA 22015

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Changing Lee highway

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SUZANNE PIDGEON <sepidgeon@aol.com>

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My comment:

Stop erasing Virginia history. This has gotten out of control and enough is enough. The number of people complaining is far far less than those who want to stop the political correctness and social justice montage.

There are more voices than this country realizes that want this to stop and the voices are awakening and starting to roar.

Suzanne Pidgeon

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Hello:

Please do not change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway. Like it or not, it's a significant part of the area's history and it's nothing to feel guilty about.

Please confirm receipt. Thanks!

Quinn

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Remaking

JR

John Rausch <jorausch1@icloud.com>

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Easy — Rename. Way overdue.

John Rausch

Burke, Va

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Renaming Highways

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Cheryl Robarge <cwrobarge@aol.com>

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I am against renaming either Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. I do not believe we should sanitize our history because of current political pressure. Sincerely, Cheryl Robarge, 8804 Sylvania Street, Lorton 22079.

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keep histroy and learn from it

JR

jax roberts <wickedblackhole15@mail.com>

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Virginia as a state succeeded from the United States. That's a fact, Virginia is also a Confederate state participant and Capital in the Civil War. Virginia has many battlefields from this era in it, and articles from authors still to this day discussing finding Civil War artifacts in fields in the mountains. Robert E. Lee was a top United States officer. And, so loved his native state of Virginia. That he chose to resign his commission and help his native state at the time of it's succession from the United States Government. You, can't change history. Teach it, Learn from it. Don't try to erase it. Leave Route 29 and Route 50 unchanged with their current names. For over a hundred years Virginia has hosted Civil War re-enactments it has always been a part of cherished history. Something so much more interesting the more you study and learn from factual accounts of the time period. I recall, an Egyptian ruler who couldn't stand the fact that there was a woman ruler previously and went around trying to chisel her name away. If, one erases history any time the wind changes.. One has no history at all.

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Change the names

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To the committee,

We do not have a Saddam Hussein or Adolf Hitler Highway for obvious reasons. They set out to beat us in to submission to their way of life in a war. We should not have public spaces names after Confederates who attempted to take over the US in violent combat. Those are called traitors who violated their constitutional oath. Please get rid of all those names celebrated in public spaces.

Alex Rodriguez

Herndon, VA

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Please keep the names and do not rename!

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Road name changes

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I believe my tax dollars would be better spent on feeding the homeless

Or relocating the people have brought over from Afghanistan

Or help the elderly.

Everyday, congress comes up with another scene to steal our money.

People are out of jobs INFLATION

And you want to worry about a confederate name on a road. For goodness sakes get over it.

A very upset and frankly ashamed to be an American

You need my name

It is

Toni Samford

8701 McNair Drive

Alexandria, Vs 22309

Fairfax county

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Rename Route 29 and Route 50

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To Whom It May Concern,

Yes, I agree Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway must be changed.

Thank you.

Barbara Sanders

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Changing highway names

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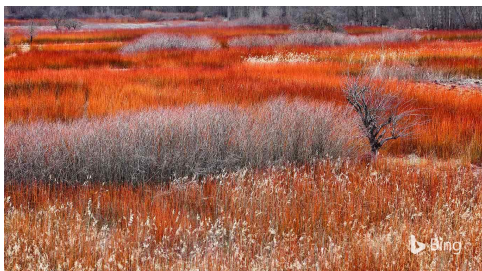
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I am writing to urge you to change the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway in Fairfax County. Every time I drive on these roads I can't believe they still honor these men who were traitors to this country and fought to preserve slavery and white supremacy. When we first moved to VA ten years ago, my young son was so confused about why roads would be named after a person like Lee. It is hurtful and unnecessary and immoral to keep honoring these men and their actions this way. Please, please change the names.

Shilpa Satoskar

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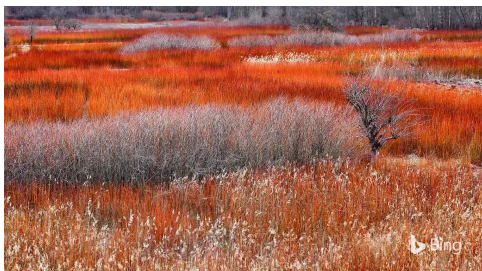
Vickie Sayce <vickie.sayce@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 1:25 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am 100% against the name change.

Vickie Sayce
703-980-3569

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Lee-Jackson Mem Hwy

MS

Mary Schlesinger <mbsemail2017@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 8:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Leave the name Lee-Jackson Mem Hwy as is.

Mary Schlesinger

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Name Changes

KS

Kathleen Sheil <breidge@aol.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 7:43 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I do not support changing the names of Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. You are trying to change the history of our country. Leave it be. They did nothing wrong. Put your efforts into changing nazi symbols and hate symbols across America.

Kathleen Sheil
breidge@aol.com

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Changing Names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

JS

Jane Shichman <jane.shichman@icloud.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 7:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To Whom It May Concern:

I live at 4507 Rachael Manor Drive Fairfax, VA 22032. I tried to complete the on-line survey but was not able to fill in any of the answers. I do not live on either Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Highway. I believe the names of both of these roads should be changed because our local and state governments should not be continuing to honor two men who were enslavers and who caused terrible bloodshed in our country during the Civil War. I propose changing Lee Highway to John Lewis Highway. I propose renaming Lee-Jackson Highway to Katherine Johnson Highway. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jane Shichman

4507 Rachael Manor Drive

Fairfax, VA 22032

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renaming Lee and LeeJackson Highways

VS

VIRGINIA SIVIGNY <sivigny@verizon.net>

Fri 11/12/2021 8:00 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I strongly urge the Task Force to rename the highways. They are vestiges of the Jim Crow era attempt to reassert the power of white supremacists who had lost the war to destroy the United States of America.

As for new names, I would recommend the Task Force consider Virginians of all races, ethnicities and genders who have used their energy and talents to contribute to the common weal. There must be many to choose from. Alternatively, names descriptive of geography or landscape would be better than names of traitors.

Virginia D. Sivigny
6317 Torrence Street
Burke, VA 22015

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Lee-Jackson Hwy renaming

AS

Amanda Smith <orangeblossom2819@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 4:34 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force Members-

As a born and raised native Northern Virginian, I vehemently oppose the renaming of Lee-Jackson Hwy. Lee and Jackson are two beloved Virginians and the highway has been named for them for at least the 40 years of my lifetime. We natives are sick of other people imposing their will onto us and redefining and erasing our heritage.

The biggest insult in this injury is that taxpayer funds will be spent on such an unbelievable waste of time, all so you can virtue signal and congratulate each other on how progressive and woke you all are. If this is the nonsense you spend taxpayer money on, no wonder taxes are so criminally high!

You should be ashamed of yourselves but as elected officials, we know that is impossible. You have no shame, and no decency, further evidenced by this utter sham of a task force. You won't consider any opinion or comment that doesn't support your desire to rename the highway. This is yet another time and money wasting farce as the results have been decided and nobody will ever be privy to the actual comments from the public. You will do exactly as you please and likely gleefully rub it in the noses of the citizenry that oppose it, and we all know it.

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Lee Jackson Hwy

CS

Chris Smith <blueyedballer11@yahoo.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 4:50 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Lee and Jackson are two of the finest patriot sons of the former free Commonwealth of Virginia. Their ideals are those of America itself, free, honorable, and willing to stand up for that which is righteous despite the greed, treachery and duplicitousness of those in positions of governmental power.

Changing the name of Lee Jackson Hwy will only reduce the triumphant true history of Virginia in the eyes of the woke mob too myopic to see what actual honor entails. To all true students of history the names of these two great patriots will never be sullied, no matter the pale tidings of lesser men.

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JS

j sober <jsober1@outlook.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 8:36 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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DO NOT DO NOT DO NOT change the name of those roads!!! The trouble and inconvenience to homes and businesses, not to mention confusion, would be immense. There are many more Lees in this world than one confederate general.

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Lee Jackson Highway.

AS

Angela Spicer <artspicer44@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 3:27 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Regarding Lee Jackson Highways name, do not change it. It is an unnecessary expense to the County and the taxpayers. During the Civil War, 131 Spicers served in the Confederate Army and 251 in the Union Army. If, foolishly, the decision is to replace the names, could we have the cost to do this deferred to those people who want to have it changed?

Good luck!!!!!!

Frank

Frank Spicer

Phone: (703) 520-9420

Cell: (703) 405-9558

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Renaming of Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway and Lee Highway

DT

Donna Teepe <teepe13@yahoo.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 11:15 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Members of the task force to rename Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway,

Please DO NOT change the names of these roads! Doing so is a BIG WASTE OF TAX PAYERS MONEY!

While we all recognize that slavery was bad, we also have to recognize it was the way it was during that time in our history. The people you are trying to punish for owning slaves also accomplished many other good things during their lifetime. These things are being ignored.

I know there are many pros and cons on this whole subject, but please consider the considerable cost in changing the names of streets. These streets are very long and everyone that lives or works along them would also have to change all their addresses. I have no idea how many street signs would have to be changed, but I know the number is high and there is a high cost in doing this.

Most people call them Route 50 and Route 29 anyway, so please don't spend my money changing them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Donna Teepe
15050 Greymont Drive
Centreville, VA 20120

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FW: Highway name changing

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Fri 11/12/2021 8:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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-----Original Message-----

From: Yang Wen <wenyang45@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, November 12, 2021 2:40 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Highway name changing

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I object changing the name of Lee Highway. It is part of history. Let it be as is. The money can be better used elsewhere. Don't waste taxpayers money.

Sincerely,
Yang Wen

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This is stupid what do you want to call Mt Vernon? Next you can burn all historic Virginia estates!

JW

Joyce Wilkinson <boismenue@icloud.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 3:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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NO - Do Not Waste Taxpayer Funds on Renaming Rt. 29 and Rt. 50

MW

Martin Williams <emailmartinwilliams@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 4:22 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

This message is to serve as my objection to the renaming of Rt. 29 and Rt. 50 in Fairfax County. Do not spend money that could be used for much needed road repair, road maintenance, or installation of sidewalks, on replacing metal signs that are not physically endangering county residents. If approved, this would be a clear act of fiscal irresponsibility by the Fairfax County DOT and Board of Supervisors.

Do not rename Rt. 29 and Rt. 50.

Thanks,

Martin Williams

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FW: Object the change of toad name

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Fri 11/12/2021 12:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: Elyne Xing <elynemmm@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, November 12, 2021 5:59 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Object the change of toad name

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To whom it may concern:

I strongly object wasting money on changing the Lee Jackson HWY name and associated non-sense spending. It is a shame to have such a task force and it is total a misuse of taxpayer's money.

Best regards,

Xiaoli

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

DZ

Daniel Zim <danielrzim@gmail.com>

Fri 11/12/2021 12:12 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force Members,

I am a 19-year resident of Fairfax County and I would like to see the names of Generals Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson removed from Routes 50 and 29 in Fairfax County. We should stop honoring traitors who fought a war to perpetuate slavery in the United States.

I recommend that those roadways be renamed Barack Obama Boulevard.

Kind Regards,

Daniel R. Zim, Esq.

9737 Hidden Valley Rd

Vienna, VA 22181

202-679-3733 (c)

703-242-1609 (h)

My LinkedIn Profile - <http://www.linkedin.com/pub/daniel-zim/4/389/845>

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Highway Renaming

S

skip.averman1@gmail.com

Sat 11/13/2021 1:27 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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No, Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County should **NOT** be renamed.

This is part of history, and leaving the names does not in any way indicate support for slavery. Nobody in their right mind would think it did.

Edmund Averman
Fairfax County, Virginia

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!!!YES Rename Route 19 and Route 50! Just Got Card in Mail on this!!!!

SB

Susan Bailer <susan.bailer@gmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 7:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Home <susan.bailer@gmail.com>

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Sir/Ma'am: *just* got notified on this! Please rename them!
Lorton, VA resident

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FW: Name change

DI

DOT Info

Mon 11/15/2021 4:35 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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-----Original Message-----

From: Eugene W. Beach <ewbeach@cox.net>

Sent: Friday, November 12, 2021 5:55 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Name change

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Do not change the name of the roads. Leave them alone. Lee Highway and Lee Jackson memorial highway.

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Survey

DB

David Bleich <bleichda2004@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 11:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Good evening- we just received your request for a survey on confederate names due by November 12, 2021 on November 15, 2021 I guess conveniently missing the public comment deadline. So if the county still cares what the views are from the public I'll drop my two cents. Personally I don't have a strong preference either way since my ancestors wore blue but were also imperfect, but If the county decides to rename these roads what are the alternatives that won't offend? Plus I find it interesting that a county named after the largest landholder and slave master in this region isn't up for discussion or all the other streets, schools, ect named after impure souls from the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries. If this isn't the case perhaps we just need to stop naming things after anyone since we don't know how future generations will judge us. Anyway, let the people have their say and rectify the wrongs of the past by changing road signs and doing nothing else.

Best,

Dave

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Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

B

bui007@gmail.com

Sat 11/13/2021 1:52 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Let's keep the name of [Lee Highway \(Route 29\)](#) and [Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway \(Route 50\)](#). They are important for our community, business, and livelihood. Thank you

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comments on renaming Lee-Jackson memorial hwy.

S

Susana <susanacheney@cox.net>

Sat 11/13/2021 2:20 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear task force,

Changing the names of these highways uses a lot of tax dollars needlessly. Taking money away from critical infrastructure needs which should be our focus.

History is destined to repeat itself if you erase it. Beside that, I have live in this area for 40 years and never heard any person even bring up the matter or give any thought to where the names came from.

The war happened, the south lost and I might add lost thousands of soldiers and land was ruined.

My tax bill continues to grow I don't want to have those dollars spent on a name change. Most young people don't even understand the wars implications.

It is is absurd when we have a pandemic going on and other issues. What next? Are you planning to get a committee to tear down the Lee house on the top of the Arlington national cemetery? The home where Robert E. Lee lived looks out on all our dead service members.

Please put your efforts and dollars in more urgent needs.

If we want to heal wounds than we change behaviors which we have done, though not perfectly not names.

I respectfully ask that you do not fund this renaming project.

Susan Cheney

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Highway Name Changes

MC

Michael Craig <michaelcraig75@icloud.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 8:07 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To FCCN Task Force,

I will say up front that I am not in favor of changing the names of these two highways, not because of what the Confederacy with those leaders were fighting for, but because this was an important part of American history. However, because this Task Force has been establish to look into it, I would ask this team to consider the following:

1. Fully understand when they were given those names, and by whom, and why these names we're then chosen.
2. To recognize that the men they were named for were honorable men, and played a critical role in our Nation and State's history, they should not be erased because of the desires of one single group or generation.
3. We learn from history only by knowing history, and this road taken was just another stepping stone to cementing the true greatest of our Nation. The only nation ever to fight brethren against brethren to end an evil practice.

Sincerely
M.S. Craig

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Renaming of Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy,

MD

Michael J Dandar <mjdandar@verizon.net>

Sat 11/13/2021 9:51 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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The names of these highways should not be changed.

Lee and Jackson were great men who fought for what they believed in and were willing to pay the price. The Civil War was more about state's rights and a way of life than about slavery. Slavery was just one aspect of that way of life. They fought to preserve the rights of the people in their states to determine their own way of life and destiny. States rights have been and continue to be trampled by an ever growing Federal Government. States who were members of the United States had the right to withdraw from that union. Lincoln went to war to prevent the southern states from withdrawing. Will we go to war if California wants to withdraw from the union?

Lee and Jackson were great leaders and patriots who were respected by both sides of the Civil War conflict. Abraham Lincoln sought to heal the wounds of the Civil War and reunite those of the North and the South into one great nation. The names of patriots on both sides of the war should not be denigrated by people living today who are too short-sighted to try to see these persons in the settings in which they lived and died. It is hubris for us who are living today to judge our forbearers by today's standards and to take one aspect of their lives, i.e., slave owners, and brand them as indecent, immoral men who do not deserve to be remembered for the totality of their lives and contributions to this country.

We start by taking their names off our highways. What comes next? Obliterate their graves? Erase their names from history? Brand their offspring persona non grata? Their names and their lives cannot offend; however, anyone can choose to be offended by their names and their having lived. Whether our ancestry is one of slaves, indentured servants, sea captains or the myriad of immigrants who came to our shores from all over the world, we all have benefitted from the deeds and sacrifices of men and women like Robert E. Lee, Andrew Jackson, Betsy Ross, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln..... as well as all the unnamed people who have worked to better themselves and to provide a better way of life for their children and their families in this country.

We make heroes of convicted felons like George Floyd with the members of The Congress taking a knee for him. And, we denigrate Robert E. Lee and Andrew Jackson? What is wrong with this picture? Renaming these highways is the epitome of asininity!

The money being spent to cater to those who are ignorant and who choose to be offended by whatever strikes their fancy could be better spent by far on our schools to teach the next generation how to think for themselves and how to make their way in life than to change the names of our highways. Stupidity and ignorance are at the door. Why do we want to take them in and make them members of our family?

Michael J. Dandar, Jr.
mjdandar@verizon.net

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Renaming LeeHighway, Lee-Jackson

RD

Robert DeAngelis <rndsr@icloud.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 10:57 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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A waste of tax payers' money! Our problem is spending by politicians and bureaucrats, not insufficient taxation.

Robert DeAngelis

703-402-8846

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Route 29

BD

Billie J D'urso <bdurso@gmu.edu>

Sat 11/13/2021 3:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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No Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should not be renamed in Fairfax County.

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FW: Confederate Names Task Force Survey on Lee/Lee-Jackson Memorial Highways

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Mon 11/15/2021 4:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: EARL EATON <eeeaton@msn.com>

Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 10:50 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Confederate Names Task Force Survey on Lee/Lee-Jackson Memorial Highways

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Just received notice about the survey in the mail on November 13. Unfortunately you are only accepting public input through November 12th. Were you seriously looking for public input or did you just want input from those who support your initiative.

Spending tax dollars to change road names while resources to address the homeless, mental health, domestic abuse, hunger, etc problems are inadequate is fiscally irresponsible.

Earl Eaton

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] Confederate names

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Transportation

Sat 11/13/2021 1:19 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Patricia A Frame (not verified) (frame6303@cox.net) sent a message using the contact form at

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Message

Since I didn't receive the post card until after the date for submission I would still like to give you my comments
I do not believe Fairfax County should be changing any of the signs because a few feel they are offensive. This is history whether we like it or not.
Yes, I am from the South. Why don't you just start numbering all the streets. Of course you would still have problems because a few would find fault with their number (i.e., 13, 66). It is a no win situation. What's the cost for sign change including work, maps, GPS etc. It's not free.

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Confederate names

JF

J Fuller <jimf6725@gmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 6:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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No, do not rename! Stop rewriting America's history to placate the radical left.

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Renaming Lee Hwy

RG

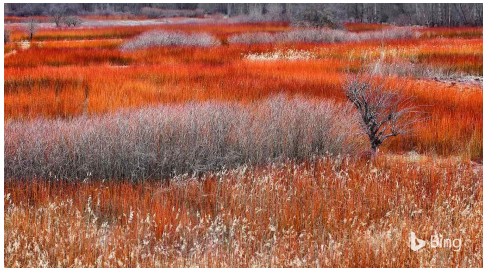
ryan ginny (ryanandginny) <ryanandginny@gmail.com>

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Please be consistent with what Arlington has done and rename Lee Hwy Langston Blvd. please rename Lee Jackson to Fairfax Dr.

This is so much easier than chopping up the same road into multiple names!!

Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

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Name change for Route 29 and Route 50

NH

Nadine Haddad <nadine.e.haddad@gmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 12:54 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Good evening,

I am submitting my comments on the name changes for Route 29 and Route 50:

The names of Route 29 and Route 50 need to change. I do not want any more children growing up in our county to learn that major streets surrounding them are named to honor individuals who fought against their right to freedom, equality, life, liberty and pursuit of happiness.

Thank you.

Nadine Haddad

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Changing names??

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mattie.harms@yahoo.com

Sun 11/14/2021 4:29 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please, do not change names of our highways.

But if you do, please do not substitute another name, just call it by its designated number, Rt 59, Rt 29, Rt 236.

Please do not waste taxpayer money!!

Mattie Harms

2022 Key Blvd, unit 635, Arlington VA 22201

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Proposal to Change Names of Route 29/211 and Route 50

H

hectik3429@aol.com

Sat 11/13/2021 12:37 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force:

In my opinion, the proposal to change the names for these highway arteries is flawed and should be rejected. I am familiar with the argument that these names somehow honor Confederate military leaders who led an insurrection against the United States of America. This argument fails to take into account the righteousness of the policy of President Abraham Lincoln and General U.S. Grant to move our country towards reconciliation. I support reconciliation and believe that changing the names of these highways would damage the cause of reconciliation. Therefore, I am opposed to the proposed name changes.

In lieu of changing the names of these highways, I propose that the Board of Supervisors send a letter to the Fairfax County NAACP informing NAACP that further research on this matter by the County Historical Office has confirmed that Route 29/211 Lee Highway commemorates the splendid contribution to our country made by Congressional Representative Barbara Lee (D- California) and that Route 50 Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway commemorates the wonderful contribution made to our country by Congressional Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (D- Texas). I believe this recommendation is the best path forward to true reconciliation. I believe the Board of Supervisors should be trying to advance reconciliation and should avoid actions intended to inflame controversies.

Sincerely yours,

David W. Harrington
205 Cherry Street SW
Vienna, VA 22180

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Re: Confederate Names Task Force Survey

DH

Dianna Hashemi <dtk2008@hotmail.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 2:31 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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To: Fairfax Board of Supervisors

I and many that I know are opposed to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voting to change the names of Route 66 and 50. The county has a long list of items where money could be much better spent - transportation, construction, storm water projects, infrastructure, education, etc.

Furthermore, the history of this country should not be changed. Many families can trace their roots to the start of this country. In the beginning, many who came to this country were ordinary and inarticulate, seeking economic opportunity, political and religious freedom. They worked hard and struggled to make a new life in a new country by farming, fishing, maritime, furnace and workshop industries and highly skilled crafts. Generations of families went on to work in coal mines, on the railroads, in construction, as steelworkers, as ironworkers, etc. They were not blue-bloods, they did not prosper, they got by. Many went on to give their lives in wars, including fighting for the Union in the Civil War against slavery. Many have relatives buried at Gettysburg. Why is there so little mention of the many poor and brave who fought and gave their lives for the freedom of equality?

I as well as others are very shocked and disappointed that officials have already given money to support this task force and hire a facilitator to assist the group's deliberations. Taxpayers of this county will not support their money going to replace affected street signs. If supervisors elect to change the names of one or both of the roads, when election time comes, voters will remember what supervisors spent their hard earned tax money on - to foot the cost of replacing the affected street signs. Property owners and businesses will remember when they are forced to find the money to change their marketing materials and facilities as a result of the new highway names; even though county staff has recommended that supervisors consider providing financial help, it will be remembered come voting time that this was a waste of taxpayer money.

Any extra money that can be found, needs to be spent on walkways and improvements on our roads! - not to mention the many stormwater projects that need to be done that have been put off for decades because supposedly there has been no money in the coffers for it. A 9% increase in county population over the last decade certainly gives reason for spending money wisely. Renaming roads is not a wise decision, but a waste of money and time.

Hardworking, taxpaying residents of Fairfax County want our Board of Supervisors focusing on more important matters and not trying to change history!

Vote wisely on this matter or you may be voted out.

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Name of Lee Jackson Highway

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Mon 11/15/2021 8:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 2:58 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Name of Lee Jackson Highway

David Hensley (not verified) (dhhensley@gmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Ftransportation_general&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7Ca310b8e84a9746f317d408d9a87439c8%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637726039406421780%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljojV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&data=rQe99PuiQ09Er1n4e4GbfB21jGftDmFCle3fHSfsRGc%3D&reserved=0.

Message

Lee Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed. We should not honor traitors to our country.

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got my mailer info arrived Saturday Nov 13th

EH

Eric Hillyard <e2hillyard@msn.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 3:42 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Eric Hillyard <e2hillyard@msn.com>

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Thanks for nothing as usual. My highway naming mailer arrived Nov.13, a day after comments would be accepted. I'm sure you have already made up your minds to use our hard earned tax dollars to make the changes and stop the BS whining. Next time, please be less obvious and quit wasting money on rewriting history to please the few. Thanks again for a job well screwed up!

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Feedback on renaming Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

J **jlpalguta@aol.com**

Sun 11/14/2021 7:36 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I got the notice of this task force late and just missed the survey closing on Friday. Hoping my emailed opinion can still be considered.

I would strongly support renaming these highways. I don't feel there is a need to have highways named for those who fought to succeed from the United States or maintain slavery.

As far as suggestions for renaming. It would be nice if an influential person of color or a woman from the area's history could be considered during the decision process, such as:

Mary Elizabeth Bowser with Elizabeth Van Lew

Booker T Washington

Henrietta Lacks

Alexander Augusta

Virginia Randolph

Thank you for considering public input in the matter.

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Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway - Comments

FK

FRANCIS KILEY <fctkiley@aol.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 11:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Sir / Madame:

I am opposed to a name change for the Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. It would be a costly, unnecessary expense, not only for the County but for many private Virginia citizens.

If we changed the name of everything that offended someone, there would be few things remaining from our past. We'd have to change the names for Pickett Road; Beauregard Road; King Street (in Alexandria); the College of William & Mary; James Madison University; everything named Washington; the name for Virginia itself (named after a foreign monarch); Braddock Rd. (named for a Brit), Fairfax County, et cetera. The list is endless.

I was born in New York City and raised in suburban Connecticut. I've lived in Virginia for the last forty-five years. I've never been particularly sympathetic to the Confederate cause. Many things might offend me if I spent valuable time thinking about it. The name of the Lee-Jackson Highway should be left alone.

The County (and many private citizens who would be affected) shouldn't waste a lot of money on this ill-advised name-change project.

Respectfully,

Francis C. Kiley

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Lee Hwy / Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy renaming

MK

Michael Kosecoff <koskam@cox.net>
Mon 11/15/2021 4:55 AM
To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Regarding the renaming of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway, I recommend to you the Opinion column by George F. Will that appeared in the Washington Post online edition this past October 13 and the print edition on October 14:

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2021/10/13/this-scrupulous-biography-robert-e-lee-is-exactly-what-country-needs/>

Mr. Will documents the difference between the mythology about Robert E. Lee and the reality as presented in a biography of Lee by Princeton historian Allen C. Guelzo. Although I often find my perspective at odds with that of George Will, in this case I feel that he has done a fine job of making the case why we should NOT be honoring Robert E. Lee. I strongly urge you to read his column.

Thank you,
Michael Kosecoff

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FW: Confederate-names-task-force

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Mon 11/15/2021 2:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm











From: Madeline Lamberti <madeline.lamberti327@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, November 13, 2021 6:29 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Confederate-names-task-force

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Sorry i missed the deadline by one day. I think the names should remain as is with no changes. Taking this project on is such a waste of tax payer monies. Perhaps time and effort should be spent on much more important issues within the county.

Unfortunately i could not access the survey but do feel free to send it to me if further information is needed.

Respectfully,

Madeline Lamberti
Realtor, Samson Properties
703-447-1416

It's never too early to start planning your next move. Please contact me if you, or a family member or friend, need a caring, competent, and informed real estate professional.

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Pls do NOT change Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

LB

Lan-Anh BUI <lan_anh@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 1:46 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Sir or Madame,

Please ***do NOT change*** the names of **Lee Highway (Route 29)** and **Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)**. They are important to our life and history.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional feedback.

Thank you,
Lan-Anh

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Who is paying for the renaming efforts?

ZL

ZhiYin Lee <emailzyblogger@gmail.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 12:30 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Sorry for last minute thoughts. I just returned from a trip to,Savannah GA and Charleston SC and WilingtonNC.

Many historical monuments in honor of,confederates.

To the task force members:
Please please ask your survey questions to elicit thoughtful comments...not yes or no answers or hate feelings..

For example, if you asked how do we deal with the current cancel culture of renaming streets and memorials in trying to reach racial justice?
Do we erase Goege Wash and Jefferson Memorials?

Lee Hwy can be named after several Lee families. It is not obvious it is named after Robert E Lee. There is also Lee's Corner, Lee Road...how far do,we want to go down this road to erase /rename everything and what are you trying to accomplish?

For example, do you know,there is a James Lee Senior and Community Center on Annandale Road in Falls Church?
He was black and influential in his time, owned lands etc..

You are not going to please everyone so please just try to educate or enlighten us..

Who is paying for the task force and proposed name changes?What are their qualifications in history or civil war/racial injustice research?
What new names will be picked? Another task force? Another pot of money spent on this problem with no easy solutions?

Please broaden your mind and think..what else besides Lee Heat in Fairfax County? What about DC memorials? What about other streets named after "slave owners?" What other accomplishments did they achieve in their lifetime?

Did you hear the comments from the president of George Mason University when some suggested a name change because George Mason was a slave owner too..

The University President is black.

Here is link..

<https://www2.gmu.edu/news/2021-10/president-gregory-washingtons-investiture-address>

More opinion

https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/letters-to-the-editor/in-renaming-schools-focus-on-those-who-advanced-racial-justice/2021/03/02/6a2223f2-7889-11eb-9489-8f7dacd51e75_story.html

We cannot erase history just by changing names. Why not erect plaques that teach us the real truth. Teach us about black history. Donate money to the Negro Fund or NAACP or HBCU school scholarships instead of trying to spend money in renaming everything endlessly?

Robert E Lee indeed owned slaves at the time. He also tried reconciliation. Not everyone can graduate from West Point. Should that school be tainted as well?

I personally have no horse in this race. History is cruel. War is unkind. How would we viewed 100 years from now?
There are sex slaves issues now, illegal immigrants been abused by their employers to do hard labor at minimum wages if any.
There are corrupt officials, arrogant politicians, hunger for power...so much infrastructure issues, pot holes, dark streets with no street lights, dangerous intersections.

I do not care what the streets are called, as long as they are well maintained, well lit.

Whoever nominated Rt 29 as Lee Hwy and got the money to implement all the street signs——did they leave a disclaimer and funding for renaming the streets in the future if somehow the powers to be to change...??

I think policy makers concentrate on fixing current infrastructure problems that can help everyone and name the construction/renovation projects in honor of all the slaves that had been doing much of the work years ago...

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Robert E Lee bio in one paragraph

HL

HH Li <writehli@gmail.com>

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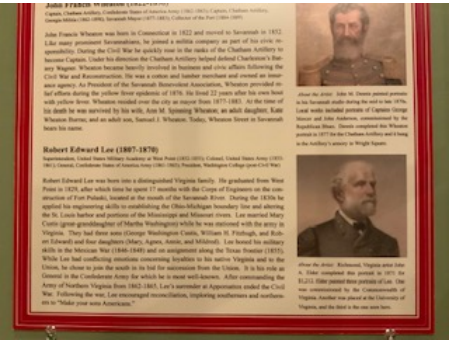
Photo taken from a history museum in Savannah GA.

As we all know, Human beings are complex creatures. History is viewed through various lenses.

Please think long and hard about consequences of any actions. Decisions will not be easy. Many have strong feelings either way. Who are you going to listen to? Once you say yes to a name change, does that mean a yes to all changes? Once you refuse a change, would that lead to angry accusations?

Changing street names do not erase ugly history. Unfortunately ugly history is still been made as racial tensions are still not resolved, people of all colors are still abused with nearly no living wages, or no jobs, ..Just watch the news. We hear about greed, corruption , poverty of current society. We need good honest leadership on all fronts, meaningful changes to improve community relationships as a whole. We need to understand history, learn why people did what they did. So hopefully we acknowledge past deeds and will not make the same mistakes. Use money to educate and enlighten all ..Some people like to talk; some like to listen. Some have documentation, ancestors involved in historical incidents or everyday life back then. We all want to learn more. Create learning/listening stations in Visitor Centers or Rest Areas along Rt 29...

Thank you.



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Mailer requesting input arrived after deadline

KL

Karen Lowe <krlowe0404@gmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 3:01 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To whom it may concern,

I'm very disappointed to find that I received a mailer yesterday, November 13, requesting input on the renaming of Routes 29 and 50 only to find that the survey closed November 12. This timing seems to reflect that input is not actually desired.

Regardless, I would like to say that I support efforts to rename these two roads. My 12-year-old son enjoys reading about the Civil War and continually questions why we would have roads and schools named after Confederate leaders. While it has led to good conversations about civil rights, it is time for Virginia to address these efforts by racists to make Black people feel unwelcome.

Karen Lowe

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway Renaming

KL

Kevin Lynch <kevinmlynch1@verizon.net>

Sun 11/14/2021 1:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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It appears the task force was not truly interested in survey results since the survey ended on November 12, THE SAME DAY NOTIFICATION OF THE SURVEY ARRIVED I N THE MAIL.

For the record, I strongly oppose renaming both Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

The courtesy of a reply is appreciated.

Kevin Lynch

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Survey

DM

Dan Mannerino <dmannerino@hotmail.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 3:05 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I did not know about the survey until I received a card in the mail today, November 13th. Now, inputs and the online survey is closed as of yesterday. Give me a break. If you really wanted input, you would have done a better job of getting the word out, and you would have mailed the cards much earlier. Everyone knows how slow the USPS has gotten these days.

That said, here's my opinion: "Stop trying to erase history!" Do not change the names of Route 29 or 50, or any other road, place, building, or monument. Good grief. With the effort to erase history, people moving into our country and Virginia as well as our children will never know the truth of what happened in the past and why. They won't learn from the mistakes of the past. Please stop this nonsense.

Daniel T. Mannerino
Burke, Virginia

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Renaming Routes 29 and 50

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Nury <nury@comcast.net>

Sat 11/13/2021 5:16 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am in favor of renaming these two routes.

Nury Marquez

1523 Inlet Ct, Reston, VA 20190

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Road renaming

B

Brendan <bem9q@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 4:34 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hi,

I do not think roads should be renamed.

Regards,

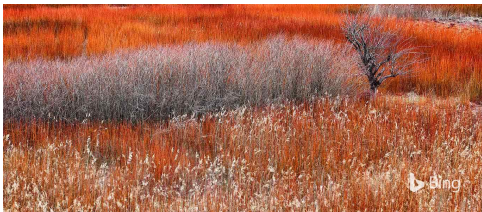
-- Brendan McCaughey

Reston, VA

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leave street names as is for history



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Dear Survey takers,

I feel as if I just received the notice of the survey and now I see I may have missed the "deadline" by two days.

As a native of New York State whose great grandfather and great great uncle (as well as two distant cousins who lost their lives at Cold Harbor) served in the Union Army and spent years in Virginia fighting "the Rebels" I feel the Mosby, Lee and other Confederate names should be left alone to show HOW DEEP SET the rebel attitude was in the South even decades after war between the states ended. To erase their names would be akin to erasing history. As we know now, the reverence for those "war heroes" and that way of life persisted way into the 20th Century. That should be KNOWN, not erased. Virginia was the Capitol of the Confederacy and we shouldn't be cloaking it over, any more than we should be cloaking over the Jim Crow laws, the need for Brown vs. the Board of Education, or the need for the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

If I am in the minority on this issue and the roads are renamed, I would suggest contemporaries, such as Grant or Lincoln as the replacements. Without either one of them the slaves would not have been freed. That would be the appropriate slap in the face to the heart of the Confederacy.

Sincerely,
Sarah McDade
Fairfax
703-217-1441

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If Lee Highway (route 29) and Lee Jackson should be renamed

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Ana Menezes <proverb3.26@gmail.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 8:57 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Absolutely NO. Ana Maria and Jose Marcus Menezes

"In essentials, UNITY; in non-essentials, LIBERTY; in all things, CHARITY" St/ Augustine

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Renaming Virginia's Roads and Historical Influence

KM

Katherine Long Merullo <klmerullo@gmail.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 2:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello-

I am a Fairfax County resident. I am not in favor of erasing all of this country's history.

Whether or not we agree with the beliefs of the past we cannot continue to erase everything we think isn't moral today. Robert E Lee represented the beliefs of his time of the south. There were many Americans who disagreed with him and they FOUGHT for what they thought was right for black Americans. Some see it as racist relics of our past. But when we erase everything that we were, how do we pretend that battles weren't fought and that people didn't have to overcome so many things to what our country is today?

There are many horrific things from this country's past. When we erase them all from history books, monuments, street names etc. and pretend they didn't happen they lose the impact and significance of what those events meant for the people going through those times. How can we teach our kids the history when we gloss over the significance of what those people had on that time? Changing street names doesn't change our past.

I grew up in the north and I realize living in the south how segregated this area was back in the 50s and 60s. I never knew what sorts of racism and segregation existed down here until my black friends and acquaintances explained it to me. I never drive down Lee Highway thinking about Robert E Lee. I'll be honest. But the more we cherry pick the nice, positive aspects of our history, the more we decrease the significance those people played in say this country's evolution and growth. Virginia played probably the most pivotal role in the Civil War. Let's not forget that. It doesn't mean that we're all racists today because we recognize the impact those people we disagree with today had on this country.

We need to be about sharing the ENTIRE story and history and recognize everybody who impacted those times not just choosing who sounds better today. Let's try to add people of historical significance rather than erase people to recognize the entire history not the cherry picked parts that sound nice.

Thanks so much.

Regards,
Katherine Merullo
Annandale, VA

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Renaming LEE Highway

YM

Yong Minigh <ycminigh@cox.net>

Sun 11/14/2021 11:03 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Madam and/or Sir:

FIRST, I am using my spouse's Computer...**THE AUTHOR OF THIS COMMUNICAE IS David E. Minigh.**

I respectfully disagree with any plans to change the name of this highway.

This is a movement done under the teachings of Karl MARX, Vladamir LENIN and others to eliminate our Country's History. This is a Marxist movement to change our COUNTRY.

This country was founded on the teachings of The Bible...of Judeo-Christian Values and NOT Karl MARX or LENIN! I prefer the teaching of Doctor Martin Luther King and NOT Harvard Bell and his Theory. Dr. KING says NOT color of skin, but the CONTENT of CHARACTER: but BELL uses SKIN COLOR to separate peoples.

MARX and LENIN and MAO have all contributed to the downfall and LIBERTY of Complete SOCIETIES throughout the last over 100 years.

May Our God above Bless You and Your Families with Goodness and MERCY!

Respectfully

David E. Minigh

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Name Change survey

DM

David Moore <dlmm451@gmail.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 9:31 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Nancy Moore <nlm451@gmail.com>

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We just received the survey notice today, November 15th!! That means we don't have a chance to respond? My wife and I are of the opinion that the names should not be changed. It is a waste of time and money and road names do not cause harm to anyone!

We are very annoyed that this survey notice was not sent out on time, seems like the outcome may have already been decided!

David and Nancy Moore
Springfield, Va 22151

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FW: Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

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Mon 11/15/2021 2:47 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Good morning,

This email was in the OPA email box. Would you please reply to the constituent and cc OPA?

Thanks,
Carmen

From: dalal767@yahoo.com <dalal767@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 14, 2021 11:17 AM
To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

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Message: Sorry I missed the survey deadline Friday. Rename the highways! Stop honoring racist, Confederate traitors.

Submitted By: Dalal Musa

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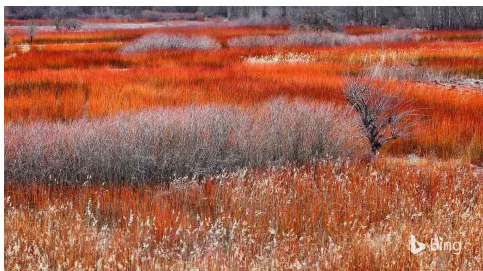
Doug Noble <jdnoble89@gmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 3:12 AM

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Lee fought for his home state because your state WAS your country back then, and this issue isn't worth spending \$1-4 million dollars. Learning about history is important.

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Renaming of Lee and Lee-Jackson Hwy

PP

Petzrick, Paul <ppetzrick@TCSFAIRFAX.ORG>

Sat 11/13/2021 1:40 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Since I did not receive any postcard announcing the opportunity to participate in the survey nor was there any kind of referendum concerning any proposed change, I really question the validity of any recommendation provided by the task force. That being said, I think it is important that we learn from history and not try to re-write or obliterate it by removing names simply because of political agendas. Other countries have attempted to do similar things following bleak periods in their histories and as a result many of their citizens deny that those things happened. For example, when stationed in Germany in the 80's it was obvious that the German government did everything they could to eliminate references to the Nazi party (those actions had actually started immediately following WWII). By the 1980s many young Germans I spoke with denied that the Holocaust had actually happened or that it wasn't as bad as others made it out to be. Eliminating references to our Civil War (a pivotal event in our history) could have a similar effect.

From a practical viewpoint, has anyone considered the economic impact on small businesses along those roads which would now need to reprint large amounts of the advertising and operation forms.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Petzrick Jr.
US Army Retired
4816 Marymead Drive Fairfax VA 22030

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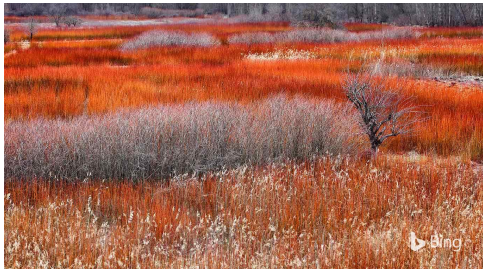
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Please don't waste our time and money changing Confederate names on roads and schools.

Our history is important and we should not be using today's standards to judge historical figures. I'm from NY originally, so the Southern pride isn't influencing me - my relatives fought for the North. I think it is tragic to erase the history of the Confederates. I see more racism in NY than Fairfax county as a matter of fact.

I'm all for using this energy and momentum to affect real change to improve the lives of every resident. If there is an equity gap, focus on things that can help underachieving or underperforming people. Giving students access to mentors who can help them get on or stay on the right path would be one positive way. Spend the money on support, not on the book burning path that has been set in some cities/county/states.

Sincerely,

John Philipps
Allness Lane, Herndon

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FW: Lee Highway & Route 50

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OPA 703Fairfax

Mon 11/15/2021 2:46 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thanks,
Carmen

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Message: Please DO NOT Change the names of our roads. Route 50 & Route 29 does not need new name changes.

Submitted By: Barbara Philipps
Telephone: 703-707-8174

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Renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway

MP

MARK PIZZO <mpizzo03@aol.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 6:34 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Sorry just got back in town and going through mail found this request. While I'm now late by days, I'll keep it simple.

(A) I prefer not to change names as the expense is costly and frankly I don't think it bothers African Americans as much as statues, etc.

(B) If you are going to change the names, keep them neutral. Just name them HYW 29 and HYW 50. Why do they have to have a name. The name you pick will just upset someone else. Just like schools, when you changed the name of Lee High to the new name, you could have just called it "Central Springfield" like West Springfield and then no one has a real beef!

Thank you for the opportunity to offer my suggestions.

Respectfully,
Mark Pizzo
West Springfield

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway Naming

NQ

Nicolle Quintero <nicolle.quintero@gmail.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 6:36 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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YES - these highways should absolutely be renamed.

Thank you,
Nicolle

Fairfax County Resident
22152 Resident

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Renaming Lee Highway & Lee-Jefferson Highway

JA

Janice A.Reilly <jarlethreilly@verizon.net>

Sat 11/13/2021 1:16 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I vote against renaming Lee Hwy. and Lee-Jefferson Hwy. This name changing reminds me of the former Soviet Union. St. Petersburg became Leningrad; Tsaritsyn became Stalingrad. We all know how long that lasted. The French Revolution even changed the days of the month. Again, we all know how long that lasted.

As a native of Philadelphia I have no "skin-in-the-game". However, I am opposed to the "woke" movement to change what some people "consider" offensive names. By these standards, half the names of States, cities, towns and streets in the United States would need to be changed. As an American Catholic citizen, many Virginai names are connected to British royals who imprisoned, tortured and executed British and Irish citizens. St. Thomas More and St. Margaret of Clithero come to mind. St. Margaret was pressed to death for her Catholic faith. Sir Walter Raleigh suggested calling our state Virginia in honor of Queen Elizabeth, the "virgin queen".

Some name changes make sense. Changing Jeff Davis Highway in Alexandria made sense for that highway is known as Richmond Highway for most of the way to Richmond. However, I object to the present Changes for Lee and Lee-Jefferson Highway.

Sincerely,

Janice Arleth Reilly

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Public Feedback Route 29 and Route 50

KR

Kelly Richards <kelly.richards@protonmail.ch>

Mon 11/15/2021 2:37 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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I recently received a flyer in the mail with an extremely short response time for public comment on renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. For something as significant as re-writing Virginia history, a longer public comment period is needed.

As a resident of Fairfax County, I am opposed to the renaming of these roads. There are much wiser uses of limited public funds than renaming roads or other public places simply because of an objectionable period in the history of our state and/or Nation.

Sincerely,
Kelly Richards

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Don't hide our history

JR

Jay Rooney <juvat07@gmail.com>

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Leave the names as they are. Our history is what it is. All countries have periods of time that they are not proud of, just like all of us do as people. Let children ask about the names and what the war was fought over. What matters is that children learn that the right side was victorious and that slavery was finally ended.

As a former soldier you can still show respect for the enemy that you fought, even if you don't believe in their cause. It is easy for us to see the evil in slavery today, but the world had slavery for nearly a thousand years.

Changing the names of highways doesn't change history and doesn't make it go away, it makes us look like we are hiding our past and not just accepting some of the things we did back then were very wrong in todays standards.

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HOW DARE YOU WASTE TAXPAYER MONEY ON THIS ABSOLUTE GARBAGE!!

MS

Missy Sawyer <msawyer777@hotmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 12:27 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



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Lee and Jackson were honorable and brave men who MORE than risked their very lives SIMPLY TO DO EXACTLY WHAT THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA ASKED THEM TO DO!! They were faithful, respectable and heroic citizens who did more to serve this Commonwealth than all of the 'task members' and those who want to try to erase their names from history combined will ever do!!

THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA was on the wrong side of history, NOT these men, and to now try to dishonor them by removing their names from roads LONG known by their current names IS A DISGRACE!! THESE WAR HEROES are now being made pure fall guys/scape goats FOR WHAT THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA ASKED THEM TO DO!! Stand up and do not fall prey to this hate-history movement; we cannot erase the slavery past of this Commonwealth, there is nothing that can now be done about that! BUT to single out these men to basically cast 'shame' on them now is but a betrayal of loyal citizens, and a pock on all of those who would dishonor them by now by publicly acting to remove their names from long-standing memorials and roads.

This reminds me a bit of the outrageous spitting on/attacking of our military service members who returned from Viet Nam -- MOST/MANY of whom were even FORCED to join the military, and probably many of whom did not even know where Viet Nam was before they were drafted into military service. IF that war was wrong, IT WAS THE UNITED STATES THAT WAS WRONG, NOT THOSE POOR FELLOWS SENT TO FIGHT A WAR THAT THE U S CHOSE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN, *WHATEVER* THE REASONS FOR THAT MAY HAVE BEEN!!

A M Sawyer

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Alex Scott - Lee & Lee-Jackson Mem.Hwys

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a <lxscott18@gmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 3:17 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To: Task Force

I humbly submit a vote "against" changing subject highway names. Thank you for asking for my input.

Please excuse my late submittal because, among other reasons, I was not aware, until today, of not only availability of Library-provided surveys but also the time-sensitive deadline.

Once again, thank you for asking for my input.

Sincerely & God Bless,

Alex Scott
6413 Whippany Way
Burke, VA 22015

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Citizen Input

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robseals@gmail.com

Sun 11/14/2021 10:30 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To the Task Force members:

First I would like to say that I believe that the outreach to the public is inadequate. I did not receive notice of this until November 13, one day after the input acceptance deadline of November 12.

To the extent that you are still collecting emails from this address I would like to say that I am NOT IN FAVOR of changing the names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

I am sensitive to the communities that draw negative feelings from these historical figures, however, I do not believe that we grow by subtraction. I believe that Fairfax County will be better served by adding the names of the leaders of these communities as new street names as the County grows, rather than by subtracting from our past.

Regards,

Robert Seals
202-255-9062

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Lee Highway Name Change

JS

Jiffy Seto <jiffy.seto@gmail.com>

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To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Board,

I do not think that the name should be changed. The intended effect of addressing the real problem of racism will not be cured by a name change. Better to spend the money wasted on changing signs and improving our education system on why the Civil War was fought and how we can improve race relations today by having frank discussions instead of feeling good by taking down a sign. Thank you for taking time to consider my comments.

Jiffy Seto
9613 Tinsmith Lane
Burke, VA 22015
Cell: 571-239-8897

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Survey

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kersey <kersey.erols@gmail.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 5:20 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Sadly, I missed the short deadline of the mail-sent notification survey, hence the reason I am resorting to email.

In preparation, I visited Google Maps, in order to provide an estimate of the approximate mileage of Lee Hwy, to exemplify the amount of signage and changes that would occur for businesses and residents, only to find Rt. 29, reflects Langston Blvd. Bewildered, I found an article from The Post, dated June 17th, that states that the Arlington County Board will vote next month. Well, the map depicts Langston Blvd. through Fairfax, as of this date. So, at this period in time, why was this survey even mailed out? Though, I am very grateful that the public is even considered for an opinion in this.

There are those types of people who get-on with things and not dwell, and then there are those who are “scab pickers” who can’t rest until they make it a point of bringing everyone else down by re-concentrating on something. The latter is where “you guys” come into play.

I find it hard to fathom that someone’s subconscious thinks “Robert E. Lee – Confederate Soldier Hwy,” when taking “Lee Hwy.” ‘Slips so easily off-the-tongue! That’s how it’s been and that’s how it should remain. John Mosby’s next, way out on Rt. 50, I’d better warn him.

I can only imagine the millions spent to change signs, not alone the burden for residents and businesses to modify addresses. i.e. business cards, store signs, truck emblems, Web presence, etc.

I pondered... why so much Confederate naming, in the first place? Then, it hit me like a ton of bricks... Virginia WAS a Confederate state! Maybe, I should be ashamed that I even moved here from Minnesota. I motion that the whole State be renamed... ohhhh, I don’t know... maybe “Sorria,” “Erasia,” “Mistakia,” or “Forgivia,” perhaps?

In June of 2020, Maryland secretly removed the elevation marker sign of “Negro Mountain” on I-68. Is that reverse prejudice... am I losing my heritage, or has the Mountain actually disappeared? What about “Polish Mountain” or “Bid Savage Mountain?” Where does it stop? Couldn’t one be offended by those connotations? Yet, during the World Series, the “tomahawk chop” chant, still lives-on... which, I have no objection to, by-the-way. From the very beginning, and the first of its kind, the United States has been an on-going experiment, with history... good or bad. ‘Lessons learned and modifications made, as we go. Differences should be recognized and embraced. However, in-the-end, we are all AMERICANS!

When there are so many other more important things to be concerned about, I can’t even imagine that people are actually getting paid to make-up an assigned task force. What a waste of County Government funds. Where are the priorities? ‘So glad my tax dollars are going to good use, and I do pay an awful lot, and I am only one person. What about a “flood cam” so we know when NOT to take Hunter Mill Rd. and drive through flood waters by the horse pasture? Or, ridding the one-lane bridge, closer to Roer’s Zoofari? (I hate to see its charm go, but the population has grown too much.)

Well, I hope that “some people” are able to sleep well at night, because for me, it’s the opposite. I am actually lying... I really don’t care, enough, to lose sleep over petty things.

Charles Sitch
Reston

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Mailer just arrived- input on Highway names

AH

Amanda C. Herman <amandacherman@gmail.com>

Mon 11/15/2021 8:58 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hi,

I realize the public comment period is over, but I just got the mailer today about rte 29 and 50. A resounding YES to changing their names!!!

Amanda Snellings
Burke, VA 22015

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Road Names Changes

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desperadoron@aol.com

Sun 11/14/2021 2:49 PM

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Do not what Route 50 and Route 29 changed.

Thank you

Ronald Stokes

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Name changes

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TFS Group <tfsg356@gmail.com>

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Good evening,

While I understand the subject of slavery is a sensitive one, you must consider how far down this path you are willing to go. The county itself is named for a man who bought and sold hundreds of slaves, working some thirty farms. Lord Fairfax himself was likely one of the largest slave traders and profiteers in the mid atlantic, owning far more than Lee. This name change would be a financial burden on many of the small businesses and would accomplish very little- if anything at all. If you must remove the name Lee from our community, I urge you to rename the county as well. It is far more effective to embrace our history than it is to erase it.

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Lee hwy

ST

Steve Thompson <steven_w_thompson@msn.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 1:59 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Born in the area in 1963. As a long time resident, I vote against renaming every street. Changing all the street signs, rewriting maps, changing postal addresses etc. seems excessive. Our history is our history good or bad. Expunging it doesn't change it, even if it is politically expedient.

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Name changes for RT 50 and 29

ST

steve tingen <steven_tingen@hotmail.com>

Sun 11/14/2021 6:22 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Honorable Task Force Members,

I believe the names Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson should be changed. I would recommend changing the names to that of a public servant who has actually performed some life saving deed, such as a EMS, Police, Firefighter or Medical personnel.

Another would be a Virginian who served in the U.S. Military (not the CSA Military), such as a Medal Of Honor recipient (Desmond Doss would be highly recommended). Doss would be an exceptional example, as he served as an unarmed participant (Conscientious Objector), credited with saving dozens of lives of U.S. soldiers versus a common enemy in WWII.

The road names would be much better served by changing them to honor individuals or groups who served the common good, which served for the betterment of the Nation, not those who sought to Secede, undermine or create a separate and divided nation.

Thank You

Respectfully, Nancy Tingen
14543 Braniff Circle
Chantilly, VA 20151
703-533-0216

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Yes!

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tonkmom@verizon.net

Sat 11/13/2021 4:43 PM

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I missed the survey input deadline, but I wanted to let you know that I definitely think both Route 29 and Route 50 need to be renamed!! When we've finally removed Lee's dreadful shrine from Monument Avenue in Richmond, it's embarrassing to have to drive on these very highly used roads with his name! Please count this as a yes to rename!!!

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Highway Renaming

TT

Thomas Troast <tetroast@hotmail.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 6:50 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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To the Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force:

I am writing to indicate my support for renaming Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50).

I realize that I am commenting after the date of November 12, 2021, but unfortunately I did not receive the card in the mail until Thursday, and I didn't have time to respond given work and a family emergency. If my "vote" in this matter could still be counted, that would be appreciated.

Sincerely,
Tom Troast
5112 Celtic Drive, Apt. 4
Alexandria, VA 22310

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Renaming of Route 29 and Route 50

FT

Fred True <fredtrue@verizon.net>

Mon 11/15/2021 6:19 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Missed being able to take the survey, but my thoughts follow.

Propose changing of portion of Route 29 in question to Little River Turnpike since that is what it is generally known as.

Suggest changing the name of Route 50 in Fairfax County to the name used in much of northern VA: Arlington Blvd. The habit of frequent road name changes for the same road in Virginia makes directions and route following very difficult.

Fred True
7890 Steadman St
Alexandria, VA 22309
(Fairfax County)
703-780-0349

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Rename Lee Highway

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Sonja Vaughan <sonja11814@gmail.com>

Sat 11/13/2021 5:05 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Yes, I support renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Highway, Routes 29 and 50, in Fairfax County.

Before the deadline of Nov 12, which was yesterday, I called DOT to record my comments. I was transferred to someone or a phone number where I could leave my feedback. No one ever answered my call. Hope my feedback will be considered.

Thank you,
Sonja Vaughan, Citizen in Hunter Mill District

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Lee hwy and Lee-Jackson

DW

Dave Weinberg <wbergfive@aol.com>

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Leave the names as they are and stop trying to rewrite history. Thanks

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Renaming Highways

RB

Renee Boyle <Renee@100wwcnova.org>

Fri 11/19/2021 3:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force:

This is an opportunity to clear up the confusion of having “Lee” as the name of two highways in Fairfax County. It’s also a chance to spotlight a contemporary figure who can remind us of our nation’s ideals and inspire pride in all Americans.

I would like to nominate “Gwen Ifill” as a name for one of the highways. Ms. Ifill was an award- television newscaster, and author. In 1999, Gwendolyn L. Ifill became the first African-American woman to host a nationally televised U.S. public affairs program with Washington Week in Review. An esteemed journalist, Gwen reported for the nation’s most respected news organizations: [The New York Times](#); [PBS NewsHour](#); [The Washington Post](#). She was honored for breaking racial and gender barriers for journalists with her portrait on a US Postal Forever Stamp in 2020.

Naming a highway for her would keep Gwen Ifill’s positive contributions alive for generations of Americans of all races, gender identities, and aspirations. Especially at this time when real journalism has been diminished in so many ways, Gwen Ifill Highway will remind us of America’s true north and our greatest ideals.

Please consider the uplifting impact of naming a highway for a woman of color.

Renee Boyle
Falls Church, VA

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PLS Do Not Change names of Lee and Lee Jackson Memorial Highways...

PB

pamela brennan <pnuts.crakrjax@gmail.com>

Sat 11/20/2021 6:29 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thank you for your work on this sensitive issue.

Decisions to change or eliminate Confederate names, statues etc. is a difficult and delicate political matter. However, in my opinion we should not as a nation be significantly altering or denying the facts or symbols of our history, as horrendous and despicable as some of it is. Truth will out!

FYI, I grew up in the Great Lakes region, not in the South. I hope that the names of the above two highways remain as they are.

Thank you very much.

P. K. Brennan
Providence District

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RE: Names Survey

BB

Braddock BOS

Fri 11/19/2021 8:52 PM

To: Stephen Bross <sbross75@outlook.com>; DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: Braddock BOS

Steve,

Thank you for your message. It looks like the postcards came in late due to USPS delays. However, we appreciate your feedback and we've copied the Task Force on this response.

Sincerely,

James

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From: Stephen Bross <sbross75@outlook.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 16, 2021 4:59 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force <DOTConfederateNamesTaskForce@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Cc: Braddock BOS <BraddockBOS@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Names Survey

Your postcard about this survey arrived today, November 16. Good timing.

My wife and I think the names should be left as is.

Steve Bross

Signal Hill resident

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Renaming Routes 29 and 50

K

kenm.budd@gmail.com

Tue 11/16/2021 3:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello – I received a card in the mail on November 13 about participating in a survey re: the renaming of Route 29 and Route 50. The survey, however, had already closed on November 12. If possible, I would still like to submit my thoughts on this.

I'm 55 years old and I've lived in Fairfax County my entire life. Even as a kid, I never understood why high schools and roads were named after men who were not only traitors, but who were dedicated to the preservation of human bondage. When we name buildings and roads after people, when we erect statues (or preserve them), we're making a statement about who we are, what we stand for, and what we value. Just as I wouldn't expect to see Hitler Highway in Berlin, I don't understand why we have Lee Highway in Fairfax. We can do better.

Bottom line: As a lifelong citizen of Fairfax, I support changing the names. Thank you for inviting public comments on this matter. Sincerely,

[Ken Budd](#)

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Lee highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway Name Change

JB

Jerry Butchko <jerry8737@gmail.com>

Thu 11/18/2021 2:02 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear DOT,

I am highly disappointed that the DOT is considering a name change for these two highways named above. I find it really insulting that it would even be considered.

My question is "Why?" What is this all about? I am from Endicott, NY and moved south over 25 years ago to improve my economic situation. Being from the North, I accepted the deep history of the "South" and read and studied the conflict between the north and south. I was never offended by streets and highways being named after Confederate officers. I found it extremely interesting and wanted to learn more about our American history and why the conflict existed.

So, let's call this as we see it. This is really all about removing anything that BLM or progressives consider offensive and is nothing more than another political move. I have witnessed how the Loudoun County Board has dismissed and covered up the CRT teaching that does exist in our schools. CRT teaches nothing but racism and division and has been called out for what it is. The sexual assaults that occurred were covered up and the Loudoun County Board lied about the assaults and called parents domestic terrorists. I see the DOT falling into lockstep by considering an unconscionable move bowing to a domestic terror organization because they say they are offended, but BLM will continue to push their racist ideology and I am concerned that the DOT is embracing their ideology and bowing to pressure.

The question is, "Where does it stop?" When do you stop erasing the wonderful history of our country?

This move to consider changing names is as ludicrous as removing statues, name plates, etc. because the DOT does not know its history. The Civil War was fought over states rights, not slavery.

Please do not change the names of either of the highways. I can see considerable push back on this and it will sour the heritage of Virginia.

Respectfully, Jerry Butchko

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Jerry Butchko

Jerry8737@Gmail.com

Dir: 703-819-2025

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Survey

EC

Erica Reynolds Clayton <ericareynoldsclayton@gmail.com>

Thu 11/18/2021 3:55 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I received the flyer dealing with whether the Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed on November 16--four days after the survey was due.

Was this intentional? An error? Was mine the only one lost in the mail?

I absolutely would like to register that the names SHOULD be changed.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

Erica Clayton
Burke, VA
(520) 429-0547

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No. I do not think that Route 29 and Route 50 should be renamed

BC

Brent Crabtree <brentacrabtree@outlook.com>

Thu 11/18/2021 1:51 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I received your postcard on the 13th, the day after your online survey closed.

I do not agree with any proposal to rename Lee Highway or Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. I have only admiration and respect for the honorable men after whom the highways are named. Both men served with distinction, courage, and compassion. They are among our most distinguished Virginians and your task force should not attempt to rewrite history.

I do not want my tax dollars wasted on creating new road signs or new maps or anything else that would be required if the roads are renamed.

VR,

Brent Crabtree
5814 Fitzhugh Street
Burke, VA 22015
571-217-6579
brentacrabtree@outlook.com

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MC

Mike Crawford <mcrawford@applefcu.org>

Fri 11/19/2021 10:48 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



As a native Virginian, I am proud of Virginia's rich history and believe that there should not be any renaming. This is a slippery slope that has no end.

Mike Crawford
Indirect Lending Dealer Liaison
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Comments

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Carol Currey <c.currey@icloud.com>

Thu 11/18/2021 2:58 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Good morning,

As a life-long time Fairfax County resident, except for post secondary education, and small business owner in the county, I am adamantly opposed to the renaming of Lee Hwy/Lee-Jackson Mem Highway.

I am against tax payer dollars funding this unnecessary expense. Before this issue has been publicized, I would surmise that 90 percent or more of our population didn't even associate the names with the confederacy. Besides the great expense of this needless endeavor, where will it end?

Our county government needs to get back to it's basic purpose. It's bloated and our taxes have doubled in 12 years on our homes.

Do not waste our money on this!

Carol Currey, MD

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Your flyer arrived yesterday.

MC

Matthew Cutter <matthew.cutter@gmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 2:04 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Yes, the roads should be renamed.

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Confederate Names Task Force Public Feedback

ND

Nicole Dorn <nikholdorn@gmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 7:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ...

Good Afternoon,

I received today (Tuesday, 16 Nov 21) in the mail the postcard flyer that was sent out for public feedback for the Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force . The window for public feedback closed on Friday, 12 Nov 21. I am not able to submit my feedback because the window closed four days before I received the flyer. I'm sure many Fairfax County residents would like to submit feedback on this topic but missed the opportunity because mailed notifications were received after the feedback window closed.

My feedback with regards to the renaming of Lee Highway (Rt 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Rt 50) is to leave the names as is and not rename the road. Leaving the names "as is" should serve as a reminder for future generations of the dark past that is associated with Virginia and the Civil War. The next generation needs to learn from the history behind those names and understand the significance and not erase the history.

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Nicole Dorn
(703)678-9942

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Support for changing names

P

pauline <pauline.tao@gmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 5:01 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ⋮

Hello:

My name is Thomas J. Duffy and I live at 1805 McGuire Ct. in Vienna. I am fully in support of renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Duffy

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TF

Travis Farris <farrislt@hotmail.com>

Wed 11/17/2021 10:21 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ...

First, I received via mail the information to provide back on this issue on November 17. When I logged on to submit my opinion it informed the survey closed November 12. Poor form, and obviously a faulty survey.

I do not believe the highways should be renamed. I certainly do not support Lee and Jackson, and do not hold them in high registration. But that was over 150 year ago so forget them. My objection to renaming is mostly financial- it is not worth the tremendous amount of money that it would cost!

Sent from my iPhone

Cheers

Travis

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Lee Hwy/Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

AF

Ann Feder <uniquely1940@gmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 10:18 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Both should revert to original names. Keep historical names before current names.

Ann M. Feder

10304 Granite Creek Ln, Oakton, VA 22124

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Change the Names

BF

Brian Flannigan <brianpatrickflannigan@gmail.com>

Fri 11/19/2021 9:14 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I just saw a mailer about the survey. I guess I missed the deadline. I live in Fairfax and think the name of the highway should be changed to honor civil rights rather than an ugly part of our history.

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Route 29,Route50 name change

LF

Lucy Freeman <lf734wa@verizon.net>

Fri 11/19/2021 11:18 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

No to renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Thanks,

Lucy Freeman

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Opportunity to Comment

KF

Kennett Fussell <kffussellathome@gmail.com>

Fri 11/19/2021 1:11 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➡ ...

On November 18th, today, I received for the first time in the mail, a flyer asking me for input. Reading the flyer made me aware for the first time that there was a task force concerned with locations, buildings, roads, etc., with confederate era names, and the possibility of renaming them. Beyond the fact that the effort to inform the public of this activity used a means which must have reached much of the public more than a week after the response and feedback was due, the current names: Route 29 and Route 50, are quite adequate and sufficient by themselves for the driving public. Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway served in the past and serve today +no useful purpose to anyone but a longtime local resident in conversation with another longtime local resident. Conversations about such a hundred years ago may have had some meaning, though one can argue the meaning could have been either positive or negative, uplifting or destructive. Today, in northern VA, there are very few longtime local residents and the few I have met have never had the occasion to converse with me about either or both of those highways using that nomenclature. Their time is past. Thank you.

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

RG

Reyna Gilbert <reyna.c.gilbert@gmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 10:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ⋮

Hello,

My apologies for contacting you after the deadline for submission, but I just heard about this and still wanted to provide input, if it can be considered at all.

I was born in Fairfax County and decided to buy my first home here. As someone with a deep love for this county, I completely support renaming Lee High, Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway, and anything else in this county named either individual.

I would be happy to provide further input given the opportunity.

Thank you,
Reyna Gilbert

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Changing highway names

RG

Ralph Gillmann <rgillmann@verizon.net>

Wed 11/17/2021 1:13 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Today I received in the mail a large post card asking for public input on this issue. But I see the deadline was Nov. 12th. Since I just received notification of this opportunity, I'm offering the comments below:

1. It's better to accept history for what it is than try to erase it.
2. R. E. Lee fought for his country – Virginia, so it's appropriate that Virginia name something for him.
3. Route 29 goes through Manassas National Battlefield Park, which included two of Lee's victories.
4. Route 50 has less connection to Lee or Jackson.
5. The name Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway is much less well known.
6. If a better name can be found, it would be appropriate to change it from Lee-Jackson.

Ralph Gillmann
Burke, VA

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Stop wasting taxpayer money

KH

Kenn Hall <KTHall07@msn.com>

Fri 11/19/2021 10:19 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Will You Idiots Please Stop wasting Taxpayer money trying to erase our American heritage with your PC stupidity.

NO! I do not think that these Road names should be changed. People who do not like them should move to Cuba and find out what freedom is really about!!!

I am Proud to have our roads named for important Heros from our shared American History!!!

I once had an immigrant cab driver ask me who Lee Jackson was so I explained to him that it was not one person but two Heros from the civil was period of our history. Without these names out there, Immigrants will never learn about American history!!

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Route 29 & Route 50 Names

CJ

Carroll Hebron Jr <cahebron@gmail.com>

Sat 11/20/2021 2:19 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ⋮

I stand in support of chaninging the names of these roads and other streets that pay homage to confederate icons.

Sincerely,

Carroll A. Hebron Jr.

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Carroll Hebron
(202) 270-2101

Sent from my iPhone

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Confederate Names Task Force

CH

Charles Hochstein <c_hochstein@hotmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 4:42 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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The noted hyways names recognize those whose action defined issues long settled. They neither support nor engrandize the ideas long since settled.

I do not support their change.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Rt 50 and Rt 29 name change

K

Klein's <nuggethems@cox.net>

Wed 11/17/2021 2:26 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

No to rename above roads.

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Renaming highways

LK

Laurie Koronowski <varieze33@me.com>

Wed 11/17/2021 5:38 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Sirs;

As a retired Fairfax resident, I am against **wasting my tax dollars** which you keep raising on this cancel history trend. This will not only affect the signage, but multiple addresses which will be a burden to businesses and owners along these highways. Enough is enough.

Laurie Koronowski

6817 Heatherway Ct.

Alexandria, VA 22315

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DO NOT RENAME LEE HIGHWAY & ROUTE 50 PLEASE

SQ

S Q <sonnyk6@hotmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 1:00 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ⋮

Hi,

History is History. If we do not remember the history, we are bound to repeat it.

The Cost is Outrageous compared to all the other projects we need in Fairfax County. It is such a HUGE WASTE OF MONEY when we need schools, hospitals, roads, medical care especially now during a Pandemic, etc. in Fairfax County.

Even if you do rename the Routes, people still call them by their old Name, We still call it "NATIONAL AIRPORT".

How many times are you going to spend a fortune on renaming something and then pay again to rename again.

Would like someone to come along and RENAME YOU.

LEAVE IT BE!!!

S. KUHN

FAIRFAX COUNTY RESIDENT SINCE 1987

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mailing received today-too late to do the survey!

CL

Cary Lepzelter <clepzelter@gmail.com>

Thu 11/18/2021 11:05 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↩ ↩ ➜ ...

I received the mailing announcing an online survey about renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway today, 6 days too late.

First, I would like an explanation of how that could happen.

Second, I would like to express my opinion anyway: Rename these two roads in honor of persons who have served all of Virginia's people-definitely not slave holders,Confederates, or racists.

Thank you.

Cary Lepzelter, retired teacher

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Feedback street renamed

L

lgpzone <lgpzone@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/17/2021 8:17 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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It would have been great to have received the flyer prior to the 12 November deadline.

On purpose of course just in case NO renaming!

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S9, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

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Confederate names

MM

Michael Maskulinski <mmaskulinski@hotmail.com>

Sat 11/20/2021 4:17 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello there,

I do not want the names changed. The costs of replacing the signage is not worth it.

Further, Robert E Lee was an Arlington native and was a part of the community. His family contributed more than just his service in the military. History should not be erased because of some movement.

Sincerely
Michael Maskulinski

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Name change Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

SM

Sarah McLaughlin <sarahlee1492@gmail.com>

Wed 11/17/2021 5:28 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ...

To Whom it my concern: I am appalled that this activity is even being considered by Fairfax County. You cannot, and must not, change the name of the Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy. Generals Lee and Jackson are part of the American history story. The Civil War, which, if you all actually studied it, was fought not primarily because of slavery, but for economic reasons. Slavery was a terrible thing, and no one would ever say differently. But know there were many Caucasians here in America who were, in effect, "slaves" as well. And Europe was awash in slavery. In fact, the percentage of slavery overall in the United States was less than 4% - and some of that percentage were blacks enslaving blacks. Federalism vs the US as a Republic with states having their Constitutional rights was the primary issue.

Did you know that under the Constitution, and with the governing of the country, e.g. the states, as a Republic, succession was legal? It wasn't until the Civil War that that the "American United States" became the "United States of America" making succession illegal. Again, and in fact, General Lee was initially in charge of US military. He was a Republican - as was Lincoln, but Lincoln was a federalist as well. He did not want slavery, but he loved his state - the Commonwealth of VA (not STATE of VA), and chose to leave the union to support what he believed was written by our forefathers in the Constitution. At that time, succession was legal. And Jackson, much the same, with the commitment but without the ardor or the fame (I guess you now call it "notoriety") of Lee.

I am a Virginian born and bred. My family has contributed to the growth and prosperity of the Commonwealth of Virginia for generations. I love this country, I love Virginia. Attempts to erase even a portion of its history greatly distresses me. I leave you with GOD BLESS AMERICA.

Sincerely, Sarah C. McLaughlin

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Keep Lee Highway's Name in Honor of the Lee Family

DM

Dan M <danmichael1776@gmail.com>

Wed 11/17/2021 3:58 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force Member,

I understand the desire of some people to change the names of these roads, but I think that it is important to remember the importance of historical figures, not necessarily agreeing with all of their actions. Lee Highway has been called that for many decades, and many people use that name in planning their travels. The name itself does not mention Robert E. Lee, but only the last name of an important family that settled our area more than a hundred years before the Civil War. The Lees were patriots during the Revolutionary War and signers of our founding documents. Keep the name and commemorate the Lee family, if not it's most famous member.

As for Robert E. Lee, I fear that many of the proponents of erasing his name have never read a serious historical biography about the man. He chose state over nation, as did many during that conflict, but he did not do it to preserve slavery. He was by all accounts a humble and virtuous man, respected by both Virginians and the Union generals who defeated him. He lived out his life simply and honestly, serving as president of Washington College (later renamed Washington and Lee University) during the tenuous years after the Civil War. Most importantly, he urged his former comrades-in-arms to become loyal citizens of the Union, and he demonstrated that commitment by his own example. In sum, he ended well.

No historical figure was perfect, but let's not judge our ancestors too harshly, lest we hold them to a higher standard than we hold ourselves. If we were to remove every name of an imperfect person from the public sphere, we would have to remove references to John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, and many others. I say leave them all on the signs as reminders of the good we should emulate and the errors we should avoid. Thank you for listening.

Regards,
Daniel Michael
Ph.D. US History
Resident of Falls Church, Virginia

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Routes 29 and 50 Name Changes

JM

Jim Mort <jimm@morts.net>

Sat 11/20/2021 12:27 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force,

I could not find the survey mentioned in the flyer I received in the mail. The flyer arrived at my house very late. Nevertheless, I do support the changing of the names of both of these highways in Fairfax County.

Thank You,

James Mort
8951 Kenilworth Dr.
Burke, VA 22015

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In favor of changing the names of Lee Hwy and Lee Jackson Hwy

KP

Kim Paine <kimrpaine@gmail.com>

Thu 11/18/2021 1:40 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ → ...

I am in favor of changing the names of Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Highway.

I was raised in Fairfax County in the 1960's and was taught all through school that Robert E Lee was a great general who should be revered and memorialized as a proud part of Virginia history.

I was also taught that slavery was generally not so bad. I, of course, learned that that was seriously wrong a long time ago.

But it wasn't until the protests and violence in Charlottesville in 2017 that I ever gave much thought to how other people might feel about Lee. I have since done a lot of soul searching and educating myself about how Virginia came to have so many confederate memorials, most of which were named or erected in the 20th century. I now understand how hurtful it is to continue this. Frankly, until then I never thought about or cared that Lee Highway was named after a confederate general. I do care now; and I can only imagine how many Virginians have always cared and been hurt by the constant reminders.

I missed your survey, but wanted to add my voice to what I hope is an overwhelming "yes" on the matter of changing these highway names. I hope all of Virginia will do the same. The cost to change the highway names is well worth it to stop the hurt and divide these names have propagated. And I will support whatever measures the committee deems appropriate to make it happen.

Thank you,

Kim Paine
4905 Heversham Court
Fairfax, VA 22032
703-798-1434

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Name change

BP

Bob Patelunas <bpatelunas@verizon.net>

Wed 11/17/2021 4:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am totally opposed to changing the name of Lee-Jackson highway. It is part of our history, for those of us old enough to have been taught history in school. I would bet anything that most kids in school today would not even know who Lee and Jackson were, so how could they be offended? One more thing. The fact that you are wasting time on something as frivolous as this is a disgrace, and you should be ashamed of yourselves for wasting precious tax payers money on this.

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Names for Route 29 and 50

H

heidi <haihua3@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/17/2021 7:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello Governmnet Official,

As a resident of Fairfax County for over 30 years, I oppose changing the names of route 29 and 50. Please keep the names Lee Highway (route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Thank you very much.

Heidi Ren

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RE: Confederate names task force survey notification was late

BB

Braddock BOS

Fri 11/19/2021 8:48 PM

To: Patty Rice <krice10540@mac.com>

Cc: Braddock BOS; DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Ken and Patty,

Thank you for your message. It looks like the postcards came in late due to USPS delays. However, we appreciate your feedback and we've copied the Task Force on this response.

Sincerely,

James

-----Original Message-----

From: Patty Rice <krice10540@mac.com>

Sent: Monday, November 15, 2021 3:40 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Cc: Springfield BOS <SpringfieldBOS@fairfaxcounty.gov>; Braddock BOS <BraddockBOS@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: Confederate names task force survey notification was late

We received a post card alerting us of the survey on Saturday Nov 13. But the feedback closed on Nov 12. We would have liked to have given our feedback. The names should be changed.

Ken and Patty Rice
7119 Stanchion Lane
Burke, VA 22015

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Feedback regarding The Confederate names Task Force

SR

Susan Roden <susan.roden@verizon.net>

Sat 11/20/2021 4:05 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I apologize for providing my feedback after November 12. I do not believe that Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed. These gentlemen were leaders in the history of Virginia and the costs of renaming these highways is a waste of taxpayer dollars.

Thanks very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Susan Roden

Sent from my iPhone

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Road renaming

M

michael <savaidesm@verizon.net>

Fri 11/19/2021 2:54 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I have lived my entire life in Northern Virginia with the exception of three years of military service, which I served in Germany and Vietnam. I am not offended by the road names in question and in fact I think is very important to keep the names because of their relevant importance to preserving our history. I would asking a majority whether they are offended by the names and I would suspect most do not have any negative or offensive opinions. I would vote “no” to changing the names.

Michael Savaides
5309 Renaissance Ct
Burke, VA 22015

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County Confederate names task force mailer

TS

Tina Schmidt <schmidthouse436@hotmail.com>

Fri 11/19/2021 4:08 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Just sharing with you I received a 6x9 postcard in the mail inviting me to participate in the survey on Lee Hwy and Lee-Jackson Hwy name changes. I received the postcard on 11/18/21 and the survey closed on 11/12/21.

For what it's worth, I would vote not to change the road names - or if changed, add to the current names, not replace.

Thanks,
Tina
Fairfax County resident

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[Confederate Names Task Force Feedback Form] renaming Lee highways

T

Transportation

Thu 11/18/2021 6:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Teresa Secules (not verified) (tjsecules49@gmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at

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Message

Today, November 18, I received in the mail an invitation to participate in a survey regarding whether Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed. Upon closer look, it states that public input would be accepted until November 12--last week. Just to doublecheck, I went to the URL and the survey was indeed closed. It would appear that Fairfax County does not really want my input. However, I want to give it. Yes, both highways should be renamed. In addition, Leesville Boulevard, near my home in North Springfield, should be renamed. It is time to stop honoring Confederates. We must remember the Civil War but not honor the secessionists.

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CONFEDERATE TASK FORCE

E

eaglewing008@gmail.com

Sat 11/20/2021 8:21 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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DEAR SIRs/MADAMS:

UNFORTUNATELY THE POST OFFICE DELIVERED THE SURVEY REQUEST TO MY MAILBOX JUST YESTERDAY, 11-19-21. SINCE THE SURVEY WAS DUE BEFORE THIS, I WILL SIMPLY ADD SOME BRIEF COMMENTS HERE.

DURING THE 60'S THROUGHOUT MY COLLEGE YEARS I WAS OUT THERE MARCHING IN ALL THE CIVIL RIGHTS MARCHES. I AM A CLASSIC LIBERAL AND BELIEVE IN A CLASSLESS SOCIETY, UNMARKED BY THINGS LIKE RACE....

YET AT THE SAME TIME, I MUST AGREE WITH ALL OF THE WISDOM OF THE GREAT THINKERS OF OUR WORLD WHO HAVE ALL SAID: THAT 'THOSE WHO FORGET HISTORY ARE CONDEMNED TO REPEAT IT...'

THEREFORE, I AM AGAINST ALL OF THIS 'ERASING' HISTORY.... E.G., TRYING TO REMOVE ROBERT E. LEE FROM THE FACE OF VIRGINIA. ALL OF THIS TO ME SIMPLY FEEDS 'RACISM' AND KEEPS IT ALIVE, BY SHOWING A COLLECTIVE ANGER AT THE PAST, INSTEAD OF JUST FORGIVING IT AND ACCEPTING THAT WHO WE ARE TO-DAY HAS EVOLVED FROM THE PAST....

THANK YOU, RESPECTFULLY,
M.A. SHERIDAN

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Renaming route 29 and route 50

MS

Megan Smith <meggo.smith@gmail.com>

Sat 11/20/2021 1:11 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Committee,

I would like both of these routes to be renamed to remove confederate names. Consistency with neighboring counties would be helpful for drivers. Arlington county has renamed route 29 to Langston Blvd.

Sincerely,
Megan Smith
Falls Church, Fairfax County

Reply | **Forward**

Name change for Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

DS

Debra Stevenson <dacstevenson@aim.com>

Fri 11/19/2021 9:17 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



NO!! The names of those roads, or any other roads, buildings, parks, schools, or dog houses in Fairfax County should not be changed! How much tax money are you wasting on this ridiculous effort? If you believe that every confederate name or place must be obliterated, then you better start with Richmond which was the capital of the Confederacy and if you want to follow this pointless course, then Richmond should not only have a name change, but it should not be allowed to be the capital of Virginia any longer. I vote that we move the capital to Virginia Beach -- oops! they will have to change their name as well because Virginia was a confederate state. The entire state and everything in it was Confederate and changing the name doesn't change the history. Just learn to live with it and stop being so precious.

Perhaps the board and everyone else in Fairfax should remember this: all those people who fought in the Civil War were Americans just like the Union people. They treasured their homes, their families and their country. They were people of their times -- and yet somehow the people of this century feel entitled to look back at our ancestors and revile them and cut them off for beliefs and behaviors we find repugnant. How will history judge us? I think future Americans will look at this era in which we live, compare it to the Civil War era and ask "what's the difference?" Are our cities burning? Yes, while the governments stand idly by. Are we divided along political lines? Yes, because there are those who cannot tolerate anything they do not like or understand -- like a highway named Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Are there political forces deliberately pushing us apart today? Yes, and Fairfax Board is part of it.

Bear this in mind -- Lee, Jackson, Stuart, Fairfax-- all those names you revile -- are typical American names found in every state but somehow, some people have decided that these names should be erased. I do believe that when the board took office, they were pledged to represent EVERYONE in this county. I am not finding that to be the case at all.

-Debra Stevenson

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Survey Name Change

JS

Jesse Strom <navyveteranfareast@gmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 10:33 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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the english language survey will not allow me to respond.

In tough economic times like this, please do not use my tax dollars for such frivolous spending such as a name change. This type of spending cost the taxpayers and does not yield a return.

Jesse Strom

NavyVeteranFarEast@gmail.com

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renaming highways

MS

Mary Ann Suddarth <suddarthd@gmail.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 6:03 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I wanted to give my input on renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway. Unfortunately the postcard informing me of this only arrived last night Nov. 15. It stated input was only accepted until Nov. 12. This seems at best to be very incompetent since the mail could not take over two weeks to be delivered.

My input is that I am against the renaming because:

1. We have better things to do with our time and money.
2. We should get away from the idea of judging a person on only one thing in his life and ignoring the other major contributions he has made.
3. Judging by the distribution of this postcard, there seems to be a certain unprofessionalism and bias in the task force.

I would like to hear back on this unsatisfactory situation. Thank you.

Mary Ann Suddarth

suddarthd@gmail.com

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RE: [Contact Our Office] Confederate names task force

BB

Braddock BOS

Fri 11/19/2021 8:50 PM

To: suddarthd@gmail.com; Braddock BOS

Cc: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Mary Ann,

Thank you for your message. It looks like the postcards came in late due to USPS delays. However, we appreciate your feedback and we've copied the Task Force on this response.

Sincerely,

James

-----Original Message-----

From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, November 16, 2021 12:42 PM

To: Braddock BOS <BraddockBOS@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Contact Our Office] Confederate names task force

Mary Ann Suddarth (not verified) (suddarthd@gmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at <https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Fbraddock%2F&data=04%7C01%7CBraddockBOS%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C56a0ac96e2c049dc38db08d9a92863c1%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637726813208378003%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliCjBTiI6Ij1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=ToTPQmIMynqG8HZ4a3LdHWzo5oW1vGrnvkBhBzU5Nfs%3D&reserved=0>.

Message

Last night, Nov. 15, I received a post card asking for my input on renaming Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Memorial Highway. Unfortunately input was only accepted until Nov. 12. I am writing to inform you of the task force's incompetence and/or duplicity. I would also like to register my input against the renaming because: 1.We have better things to spend our time and money on; 2.I would like to get away from the idea that a person is only judged on one thing in his life and not all the other good accomplishments; 3.I resent the manner in which we were supposedly asked for our input. I hope that something can be done to atone for this incompetence/duplicity.
Thank you.

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Confederate Names Task Force - Rt 29 & Rt 50

JS

Jessica Sun <jessica.sun27@gmail.com>

Fri 11/19/2021 11:51 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

👍 ↶ ⏪ ➜ ...

Hi,

I received the mailer requesting feedback on whether Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50) in Fairfax County should be renamed.

I fully support renaming the highways from the evil legacy of the Confederate, slave-promoting racist generals.

Thank you,
Jessica Sun
Vienna, VA 22181

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Please DO NOT Rename - Lee Highway (Route 29)

- ⓘ This message was sent with High importance.
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TT

Terri Trinchera <ttrinchera@enterprisesolutions.net>

Tue 11/16/2021 4:36 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



Dear Task Force,

Greetings!

Thank you for giving the people the chance to voice out their opinion about whether to rename Lee Highway. I was not able to make it to the survey deadline so I would like to express my opinion through this email.

Please DO NOT rename Lee Highway because it has historical value; a reminder of our glorious past which is not perfect but made America the most beautiful country it is today. It was a different time then, and changing the name of the highway will not change what happened then. Everything in America's past and history is what made America what it is today – strong, generous, accepting and the best place to live in the whole world! There is no place like the United States of America! I myself, am an immigrant and from where I came from, there were also mistakes by our ancestors in the past, but these mistakes made us better persons that we are today. We will not be able to make the world a better place by changing names of streets, schools, highways and toppling historical monuments. It is in ourselves, in the People's hearts where change should start, and it is in seeing and accepting the mistakes of the past that we are constantly reminded to be a better person, a better nation, a better country than what we were.

Thank you for everything you do for our country!

Best regards,
Terri

Maria Teresita Trinchera
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Route/29 Task Force

VT

Vontell F Tucker <tuckerandtucker@verizon.net>

Thu 11/18/2021 11:09 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Sorry I'm late. Change the name. We need a change. Maybe it might be the beginning of a change in our political environment too.

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I am against changing the names of Lee Highway and route 50

JL

johne laster <johnelaster@yahoo.com>

Tue 11/16/2021 3:14 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

This has gotten to the point of being ridiculous.

We need to KEEP the current names and can use that as a means of teaching others about our past history.

Your survey was shut down too short. I was gone for a week and now read that the survey ended. Too short of a time period for comments.

I just received the postcard!

George Turiansky
6529 Crosswoods Dr.
Falls Church

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Mailer came late

TV

Teresa V <teresa.verigan@gmail.com>

Wed 11/17/2021 10:41 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I just recieved a mailer asking to fill out this survey which closed last week. What a terrible waste of money, why send this out when you can't respond to it?

The roads should definitely be renamed.

Teresa Verigan

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Confederate Names Task Force

KW

Key Watkins <keywatkins@aol.com>

Sat 11/20/2021 10:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



I received a flyer in the mail a few days ago seeking comments on renaming Lee Highway (U.S. Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (U.S. Route 50). I just realized that the flyer states that public input would be accepted until November 12, 2021. This date had already passed when I received the flyer. If possible I would like to offer the following feedback:

I am strongly opposed to renaming these two highways. Changing the names is essentially rewriting history, because of a shift in social norms. If that is the standard for renaming something then when and where does it stop. How far reaching do we allow this to extend, for example, the City and County of Fairfax are named after Thomas Fairfax, 6th Lord Fairfax of Cameron. Lord Fairfax not only owned slaves he traded them. "He bought and sold enslaved Africans and derived much of his income from the labor of several hundred slaves on some 30 farms." *Brown, Stuart E. (1 August 2008). Virginia Baron: The Story of Thomas 6th Lord Fairfax. Genealogical Publishing Com. p. 185. ISBN 9780806352183.* Are going to change the name of the County and the City next?

I abhor the thought that slavery existed anywhere on this earth. The fact of the matter is that it did, and it is a stain on our history, but it is part of our history none the less. Trying to erase it is not going to change it, it is not going to prevent it from happening again in the future. Constructive public discourse and global awareness is the only way - and an attempt to rewrite history is the same as burying our heads in the sand. It will not heal a thing.

Thank you for your consideration - this is a terribly difficult and touchy subject. I appreciate your thoughtful efforts to come to a rational solution. A final thought, if you find you must change the names I would recommend you simply remove the name and leave them with just their numbers, U.S. Route 29 and U.S. Route 50.

Oakley Key Watkins III, CAPT, USN (Ret)

5315 Renaissance Court

Burke, Virginia 22015

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Comment

CW

Caryl Wheeler <cawjbd@outlook.com>

Fri 11/19/2021 5:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I understand I missed the deadline, but my comment is NO we shouldn't change the names of these roads, etc. Caryl Wheeler

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FW: [Managed Parking Feedback Form] Confederate Names Task Force

SH

Stein McCartney, Henri

Mon 11/22/2021 4:53 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



This email about Confederate names came to the Managed Parking feedback email.

Henri Stein McCartney
On-Street Parking Team
Fairfax County Department of Transportation
703-877-5816

-----Original Message-----

From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Saturday, November 20, 2021 5:48 PM

To: Stein McCartney, Henri <Henri.SteinMcCartney@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Managed Parking Feedback Form] Confederate Names Task Force

Peter T. Alberse (not verified) (pbalberse@msn.com) sent a message using the contact form at <https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C98eb1570bcf1461719c008d9add8acb5%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637731968380182709%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&data=0cigZhURzksnlgnZyuBFZhtsEQ3FwffHmejCj9m9Xo%3D&r;reserved=0.>

Message

In response to your postcard requesting feedback, I feel that this trend of renaming places destroys history. Somehow, we are witnessing a revisionist trend, falling all over ourselves to be non-offensive and bland, in this case finding fault with the rich history we have in Virginia.

I believe that government can do more constructive things than rename buildings, areas, roads, etc. If, for example, I lived on William Mosby Street, or rooted for a local team called Mosby's Raiders, I wouldn't mind at all. For the record, I was raised in the North (New Jersey) and have enjoyed all that Virginia has to offer for over 50 years.

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BA

Betty Aquino <b.paigethomas@gmail.com>

Fri 11/26/2021 1:33 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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For starters, I got the postcard mailer on November 24, and it says you're accepting comments until November 12. I am not sure who dropped the ball here, but it feels like it was mailed out late on purpose to discourage people from making comments.

Yes, both Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed. Continuing to honor confederate traitors is not only racist, but continues to re-frame history as if the confederacy was correct in what they did.

The naming of spaces, the erecting of confederate statues was done during the Jim Crow Era to continue to oppress the black community, and I do not want to live in a county that continues to uphold the values of the confederacy.

Do better Fairfax County.

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Renaming Roads, Highways and locations in Fairfax County

DB

Dewey Bullard <FrankBullard@yahoo.com>

Wed 11/24/2021 2:31 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Renaming county roads, highways and locations is a bad idea.

We learn from history and changing such names does not change history but, obscures it and hides it from our future residents. Having lived in what are now former communist countries, I saw the similar actions taken against war memorials. Memorials erected by grateful people after WWII to honor American soldiers and airmen killed in liberating Europe were destroyed, and replaced with communist propaganda.

We should not allow this to happen here.

Dewey F. Bullard
Reston, VA

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Renaming Lee Highway (Route 29) & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

JC

Jim Carter <jim.carter@ettaingroup.com>

Wed 11/24/2021 2:39 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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My parents, grandparents and I all grew up here in Virginia and I personally have spent over 60 years here in Virginia.

I feel strongly that what happened some 200 years ago happened. No matter what we try to change or rename or pretend all together never happened, it will never change history. The names of these roads are just names of roads. They no longer represent north, south, black, or white...they are just roads.

I feel that the time, effort, and monies we have spent and/or plan to spend on trying to erase history is a huge waste. All this time, effort, and money can be better spent towards making today a better place for all people, regardless of age, color, gender, etc.

Let's spend money on something that shows unity, change and effects positive results that will make a difference in someone's life.....not a renaming of a road.

Jim Carter

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Name change: Lee Hwy & Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

J **Jennifer <sennifw@gmail.com>**

Mon 11/22/2021 6:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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NO, NO, NO, NO and NO.

This will be a waste of money that will accomplish nothing of any significance or lasting value. If you are really that passionate about it, fund it out of your own pockets. Doesn't sound as important when put that way, does it.

If the intention is so pure of heart, and you only want to name our roads after someone who was perfect, and loving, and has never harmed anyone and truly only wants what is best for us at all times and in all things, you will have to name them all Jesus Christ, and that will be confusing for those who don't know their way around.

Do you really believe those road names leave people feeling sad and oppressed? Do you really believe that changing the name will suddenly lift spirits and inspire new freedom and joy? This is yet another exercise in focusing on feelings to the detriment of grace, logic, and something that would actually be useful. There are SO MANY other good uses for that money - uses that would have tangible positive impact - please do not waste it on something so foolish. We have become a culture obsessed with feelings. There are people who seek to manipulate by leveraging that obsession... and when they do it is obvious. Please do not participate.

Jennifer Clark
Falls Church

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Lee Highway

GD

Grant Davidson <warrengrantdavidson@gmail.com>

Wed 11/24/2021 8:27 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I propose we change the name of Lee Highway, Leesburg, etc to honor Spike Lee. Keep the name and save the cost of the many changes, just change the association.

This way there are no costs and aggravation due to name changes.

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Lee Jackson Highway renaming

CD

Cedric DuBard <cedricd20@hotmail.com>

Mon 11/29/2021 6:46 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

If we are to rename Lee Jackson I suggest it be called Liberty Highway or Freedom Parkway

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Highway renaming

RF

Reecie Ford <fordrk5@gmail.com>

Tue 11/30/2021 2:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Task Force,

In a time of fiscal restraint, my recommendation is to drop the noun names for the highways and just use the given route names. This will save millions of vital taxpayer dollars and avoid any current or future controversy over the name(s).

Richard Ford
9122 Lake Braddock Dr.
Burke, VA 22015

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Time for change - but consider a neutral name

PF

Peter Frank <petergottlieb76@gmail.com>

Sat 11/27/2021 9:13 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I think it's time for change - but I also think change will be easier if we don't trade Confederate heroes for civil rights heroes. How about going with neutral names that just let the conflict fade without inviting another backlash none of us need?

Peter - Chantilly

Sent from my iPhone

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

DI

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Mon 11/22/2021 1:20 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Sunday, November 21, 2021 8:37 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50)

Ira Frank (not verified) (buylow@hotmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at

https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Ftransportation_general&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7Cc01dd3725ba44d226c7708d9adbad686%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637731840234925653%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000&data=LvOD%2FKfiJusZ9kJPKGpPRi5sS7TJNycVCslzNuvGuMI%3D&reserved=0

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Message

Robert E. Lee and Thomas Jonathan Jackson were traitors. They took an oath to uphold the U.S. Constitution. They were military leaders in the U.S. Army upon their graduation from the U.S. Military Academy at West

Point, NY, I view it as if Dwight Eisenhower and George Patton deserted the U.S. Army and joined up with the German Army during World War II. If caught, they'd probably be tried for desertion and treason and after being found guilty, executed.

That being said, I would recommend dropping their names from Route 29 and Route 50, I'd simply let the current route numbers serve as names for the respective roads, Waive the change of address fees with DMV, etc. for residents residing adjacent to these roads,

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Renaming of Highways Comment

CG

Chris Garrett <christopher.garrett@comcast.net>

Sat 11/27/2021 5:04 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

I think that the removing of statues and renaming schools and other public buildings is understandable and fine but enough already.

It should stop with that, renaming the highways I would imagine would be at no small expense with little if any positive effect.

I see this as fabricating an issue. Most people I know refer to it as Route 7 or 50 anyway. I have never heard anyone at all say they are offended or even think about it.

What would be next on the agenda... raze Monticello and Mount Vernon since both Washington and Jefferson had slaves? How about renaming Leesburg and Washington?

But why stop there, how about renaming Fairfax county & city too? Lord Fairfax after all bought and sold hundreds of slaves and was a loyalist to the British crown and opposed the American revolution.

Overall I would think Fairfax has bigger fish to fry... crime, opiods, gangs, Covid, route 66, high property taxes, mediocre schools to name a few!

Just my 2 cents!

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Road names feedback

TG

Terry Grube <tgrubenc@gmail.com>

Mon 11/22/2021 1:29 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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For what it's worth, I believe the road names reflect the history of our area - and are completely appropriate names for an area that was so central to an era of history that shaped the country, and in some ways the world. The names are names of Virginians who played critical roles in the events that happened here. It's good to remember it (and all) history - the good and the bad - and to learn about the complexities that influenced the courses that were taken. Don't let the Marxist influences at work today succeed in erasing our past - without knowing the past, we will surely repeat it.

Sent from my iPhone

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Lee Highway Name

HH

herb hoppe <herbhoppe@cox.net>

Tue 11/23/2021 8:22 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force:

I don't know what to say except that it is a really foolish idea. The cost to the State and local governments, the cost to the tax-payers, and many other costs that will take place are too numerous to list. Some of the costs of course are the manufacturing of the new street signs and their installation. What about the cost of changing any deeds, business licenses, tax records, vehicle registration, driver's licenses, voter registration, voter ID, bank accounts, maps, or anything else that has an address on it that would have to be changed.

I hope that the Task Force is considering these costs and disruptions that would take place.

Sincerely,

Herbert L. Hoppe

2938 Cedar Lane

Fairfax, VA 22031

Phone: (703) 573-3305

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Missed survey deadline

JK

Joseph Keegan <josephpaulkeegan@gmail.com>

Tue 11/23/2021 3:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I opened my mail too late to take the survey. However, I'd still like to comment.

I have lived in Fairfax county for over four years now. I was raised in Pennsylvania, lived in California, Texas, and New Mexico. When I first moved here seeing all the street names, statues, housing developments, shopping centers, dedicated to Confederate Generals and soldiers it was shockingly offensive. History has shown that these people were traitors at best trying to destroy this nation and maintain the horrors of slavery. When people say changing the names is erasing history, I firmly disagree. Street naming, and statue erecting are not history lessons, they are statements of honor. These Confederates soldiers may have done honorable things in their lives, but the thing that is being celebrated is their violent act against the United States and the vociferous effort to keep humans as property. That is not honorable. History will not be erased with the changing of these street names; history can be found in volumes of books in libraries throughout the nation, in documentaries, in movies, in the stories that get passed down from generation to generation, from the debates that still go on at dinner tables.

I do believe they should be changed. However, after listening and reading some comments I suppose I do have a concern about the price tag this effort will require. It's a highly taxed area already, so I can understand people's concerns, and feel stressed about my personal finances as it is. But, this effort might be worth the cost. As statues are coming down around the state it seems the time is right to have this state feel like a place where all are welcome. As far as what to name them: I would hope you don't choose any person. It's become quite clear in the last few years we all don't celebrate the same heroes, but I believe we celebrate the same ideals. So, I would recommend descriptors like Liberty, Freedom, Aspirations, Unity, Independence. Or just keep them as the numbered routes only, 50 and 29, and save money on creating new signs.

If anyone has read this, thank you for your attention,

Joseph Keegan

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Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway - Keep name

WL

Wendy Lee <wendyconsulting@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/27/2021 5:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Dear Fairfax county,

I would like to keep Name of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

Thanks,

Wendy

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MAYBE IT'S JUST MY FRIENDS AND ME

S

sleonard1001 <sleonard1001@verizon.net>

Wed 11/24/2021 12:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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But all of us refer to the roads at Rt. 29 or Rt. 50. Long ago we gave up trying to remember which was Lee and which was Lee-Jackson. The numbers work well.

*Sue Leonard
Reston*

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Change the Names of Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

JL

Jeffrey Levine <jlevine51@gmail.com>

Tue 11/23/2021 8:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am responding to the flyer I received asking for citizen input on the question of whether to change the names of the highways. I was out of town from Nov 3- 21, 2021 and did not receive the flyer until today when I picked up my held mail.

I vote to CHANGE THE NAME of both highways. Virginia and Fairfax County have been responsive to discontinuing the recognition of individuals who led the fight to preserve slavery and disband the union. I consider them traitors to our country and not deserving of the honor of having monuments, schools, roads or other public institutions named for them.

Thank you for seeking citizen input.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Levine
9100 Shotgun Ct, Springfield, VA 22153

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Highway names

P

pamack@verizon.net

Tue 11/30/2021 3:33 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am opposed to renaming Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Mem Hwy.

I think this attempt at wokeness will have unintended consequences down the road (no pun intended). I do not know what those consequences will be, but these names are part of Virginia's history. They have been very important to millions of Virginians for decades and they are instructive as historical information. A small group says they find these names offensive, but what about the group that will be offended by the change. Why does that group not merit consideration? I will not be offended by a change but I will be annoyed at the reasoning and especially the cost to the County and to businesses that will have to change their addresses on multiple venues.

Thank you for considering my point of view.

*Pamela C. Mack
5928 Burnside Landing Drive
Burke, VA 22015
(703) 425-1455
(703) 868-3062 (cell)*

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keep existing highway names!

RM

Ron Martinson <ronmar2468@gmail.com>

Mon 11/22/2021 1:00 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



As a historian and retired Congressional Staff Director, I am appalled at the selective extinction of the names of public facilities that is obsessing people who have nothing more productive to do with their time.

Read about what Robert E. Lee did after the Civil War—he spent the rest of his life working on reconciliation. Today gay marriage is widely accepted. Twenty years ago both Hilary Clinton and Barack Obama are on record as opposing gay marriage. Because they are still alive they have had time to change their views. Such a luxury is not available to people whose graves we now walk on.

We are ruthlessly indicting and applying current standards to people who lived in an entirely different world of reality. They cannot defend themselves. They were not Adolf Hitler.

If this task force insists on making a meaningful change, look no further than changing the name of our County. Lord Fairfax was one of the largest slave owners in his era.

Stop imitating the Muslim radicals, who in the name of their religion, are blowing up monuments erected thousands of years ago in ancient Egypt.

As resident of Mason District, I was among residents who tried to preserve the name of our J.E.B. Stuart High School. No, I'm not a Confederate. I grew up in Minnesota, and the last time I heard, my State was on the side of the Union during the Civil War. But, again, the real J.E.B. Stuart was ignored and he was pilloried for his decision of conscience upon the start of the Civil War that he could not raise his sword against his own family in Virginia.

Did you know, for example, that when J.E.B. Stuart graduated from West Point he was sent to "bloody Kansas" and fought on the side of the ABOLITIONISTS? Did you know that his wife was an ABOLITIONIST? Did you know that he inherited two slaves and freed them both?

How sick is our country becoming to indulge in the attempts to exterminate our history? Let us not celebrate the grievous troubles and trials of Americans who lived over 150 years ago. But, let us learn from them by studying them and their world of reality. Only then can we appreciate just how far we have come. And, we still have plenty to learn!!

Ron Martinson
Falls Church, VA
703n354-3997

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Renaming

KM

Kyle Meisner <kyle.meisner@gmail.com>

Mon 11/22/2021 2:33 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

I hoped to fill out the survey, but could not find it online. Instead I write to strongly support name changes to both roadways. As for a recommendation for alternative names, I would love to see minority and women Virginias who have been in the military recognized.

Thank you.

Kyle Meisner
9184 Lake Braddock Rd
Burke, VA

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Remove the confederate names

HM

Holly Miller <hollyvada@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/29/2021 12:07 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I think I missed the survey- but totally vote to get rid of the confederate names!
Sent from my iPhone

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Feedback to Confederate Names Task Force

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DOT Info

Mon 11/22/2021 7:36 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 11:10 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Feedback to Confederate Names Task Force

Meg Miller (not verified) (mlmiller250@gmail.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Ftransportation_general&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C7900e1f84d494629fc1008d9adef6f4b%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637732066145644283%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&data=fkVbmK%2F2qjgU9TilYCuWNwyGbZy6jg%2Fq5oQc8Eqt4q4%3D&reserved=0.

Message

The members of our household DO NOT want any roads named for any reason - once named they need to retain their name so that navigating our area is kept as simple as possible. Who cares what the name is? Leave them all alone! Changing names, changing and creating these lanes as found near the Wegmans near Fairfax Corner is simply dangerous for drivers in this area and those visiting, not to mention people who use to live here and return to visit. Save the money by NOT changing the road signs.
the Millers of 3629 Rocky Meadow Ct

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Please Stop Erasing History

BO

Ben Oravetz <benjaminoravetz0122@gmail.com>

Sat 11/27/2021 7:48 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Both Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should remain as they are. This is about remembering the Civil War and what we all fought for. Hundreds of Thousands of white lives were lost to wipe out slavery and to erase history just because it's uncomfortable is just plain stupid.

--

Ben Oravetz

Cell Phone: 703-867-3801

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please change remove the name Lee Highway

SP

Sue Pickens <spicke63@gmail.com>

Tue 11/23/2021 2:26 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I couldn't find the online survey. You couldn't make it any harder wow all these letters. and word

Anyway please remove all confederate names from streets, public buildings, parks and schools.

Sue Owens

7416 Timberock Rd
Falls Church VA 22043

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Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Highway

AP

Anne Parisi <trudyanne7@icloud.com>

Tue 11/30/2021 1:48 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Should NOT be renamed.

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Lee Highway

SP

Susan Percy <persugram@aol.com>

Fri 11/26/2021 2:38 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

I see no reason to change the name of Lee-Jackson Hwy. I realize Fairfax County will change it anyhow.

Susan Percy

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The Confederate States names for highways should be changed to names not related to any wars

JR

James Richman <agent195464@gmail.com>

Sat 11/27/2021 2:42 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Renaming Highway

AS

ANNE SOBOTA <asobotamat@aol.com>

Tue 11/30/2021 1:42 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I am not in favor of renaming. The cost involved not only affects street signs paid for by the county or state, but all the businesses along the highway incur substantial costs. The businesses have to change their addresses, websites, business documents, etc. it also impacts maps, GPS apps etc. the money would be better spent on the economically vulnerable, homelessness, schools.

Anne

Sent from my iPad

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Change the names

MW

Mary Carroll Willi <marycarroll.willi@gmail.com>

Fri 11/26/2021 5:17 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Change the names. Lee and Jackson should not be venerated.

Colin Powell deserves the honor.

Mary Carroll Willi

3753 Madison Ln, 23041

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Comment on renaming highways in Fairfax County

studied were unsafe - one street was determined to be within acceptable safety parameters and no calming changes were made. This illustrates that, in a proposed street name change, the Task Force could use the RTAP method to take the issue to the Virginians who are most affected by the proposed change - the Task Force can know if changes promoted by a partisan group do or do not have the support of the community at large.

The RTAP has a formula for determining the area of residents and businesses likely to be most affected by the street change, and directs how to poll these residents and business owners to determine support for a future study and potential street change. I believe the RTAP process to consider making physical changes to a street - i.e., adding street bumps, signage, etc - can be adapted for the consideration of making a name change to a street.

A name change decision should not begin with the opinion of a group, nor should it begin with my opinion or the opinion of a Task Force. Any decision by this Task Force to rename roadways should be predicated by the level of support there may be among those Virginians who are most immediately, and permanently, affected by a name change for these sections of highway - those residents and businesses who are located on the subject highways.

If the County will follow RTAP methodology for a changing a street's name as it follows for permanently changing a street with traffic control measures, then the Task Force can be assured that it is not simply imposing the opinions of its members. To adapt the County's "street calming" approach to street naming, the Task Force could, at "Step 1", undertake the consultation with the citizenry to determine if the Task Force should study a renaming for the subject highway sections. If "Step 1" indicates that renaming should be studied, then "Step 2" proceeds and the Task Force steps in to do that. At "Step 3", the Task Force would present its findings, its recommendations to the community on if/how to choose and implement a new name, and, then, proceed with obtaining concurrence from the affected property owners, etc., through the following Steps 4 and 5.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Nancy Young
1705 N. Albemarle St.
McLean, VA 22101

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Feedback

CZ

Chun Zhao <czhao9074@gmail.com>

Thu 11/25/2021 5:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force,

As a resident of Fairfax County, to me, it is important for each of us to learn and know well about our history, our past to better understand who we are as Americans and how we evolved and improved ourselves throughout the history.

Civil War is one of the most important events in the American history. Changing road names, such as Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway, seems to me an action trying to hide that part of the history. These road names remind us who Virginians were and the role that Virginia played in the Civil War. On the contrary, keeping these road names serves as a good reminder to everyone about civil war, why the war was fought, and how the war shaped our nation.

I strongly recommend that these road names are kept unchanged.

A Fairfax County resident.

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Please stop wasting taxpayer money with this nonsense

VZ

Viktar Zherdetski <viktarz@gmail.com>

Tue 11/23/2021 7:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Thanks,

Viktar Zherdetski

3235 Wynford Dr, Mantua, VA 22031

Cell: 703-203-6288

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Should Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson be renamed? NO!

MA

Mike Andrews <mjandrews8@gmail.com>

Wed 12/1/2021 7:38 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Hello,

I received a postcard today with comments due 11/12. Was this on purpose?

I'm sure you guilty white liberals will rename the road names anyway...maybe to George Floyd Road? Give me a break! You liberals have learned ZERO from the election from a few weeks ago....you all wont stop till Fairfax resembles San Francisco. I saw where San Fran just removed Lincoln from a school name....Good grief.

I'm from Vienna, VA and have lived in Fairfax County for 50 yrs.....I can't wait to retire to FLA where this liberal BS won't fly. Please do not follow me down there!

Sincerely,

Michael Andrews
5100 Willowmeade Dr (off LEE HIGHWAY)
Fairfax, VA 22030

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Renaming Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

KB

Ken Berger <kenbe@msn.com>

Tue 12/7/2021 3:12 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I support renaming of Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway to highway 50. Also the John Mosby name needs to be stricken. Ken Berger

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Rename Rt. 29 and Rt. 50

SB

Suzanne Butcher <suzannebutchernh@yahoo.com>

Sun 11/21/2021 2:17 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Please rename Rt. 29 and Rt. 50 so people will not have to travel every day on roads named for men who fought for slavery and oppressed Native Americans.

Suzanne Butcher
Vienna

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Lee Highway & Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

TB

Tricia Byrne <tricia.byrne@cox.net>

Sat 12/4/2021 12:05 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force --

I believe the names of these highway should NOT be change.

History is history and historic figures need to be understood in perspective. We can't change history by removing names ... or statues
We need to remember what happened, why, and the mistakes in judgements and actions that were made.

Respectfully,

Patricia Byrne

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Rename Fairfax County

CC

C GREG CARROLL <cgregcarroll2@verizon.net>

Sun 12/5/2021 7:02 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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You are obsessed with the 1619 Project. Where does your obsession stop. The mainstream media has no understanding of limit. The following owned slaves and/or participated in the institution:

"Fairfax": Cancel.

"Washington": Cancel

"Baltimore" (the Calvert family): Cancel

"Lee": Cancel

"Jackson": Cancel

Since irony is hard to convey on the internet, I must tell you explicitly: Do NOT change the names of Lee Highway and the Lee-Jackson Mem. Highway.

C. Greg Carroll, 5616 Kirkham Court, N. Springfield, VA 22151 (703)835-2139

Sent from my iPhone

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Taking down all Civil War sites and names in Virginia

DI

DOT Info

Fri 12/3/2021 9:24 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm



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From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 2:39 PM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Taking down all Civil War sites and names in Virginia

carole cotton (not verified) (poonie80@aol.com) sent a message using the contact form at https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Ftransportation_general&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C73d8900dd81542937f4f08d9b6a34a22%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637741634711173298%7CUknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAilCJQljoIV2luMzliLCJBtil6k1haWwllCjXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000&msdata=3JPot78feG%2Fnkylii3HqogUrRHbUmWn%2FmpGkaykfWk%3D&reserved=0.

Message

OMG, OMG, I AM OFFENDED BY MARTIN LUTHER KING. Millions of Americans are offended by Martin Luther King who brainwashed black "sheep".

TAKE HIS NAME DOWN ACROSS THE STATE OF VIRGINIA NOW!

We can't go to a mall, a theater, a concert, drive on highways, play in parks, ride on public transportation, shop at a department store, walk through "certain" neighborhoods, drive to our homes and we will very possibly be attacked, shot at, raped, assaulted and even killed by black people. YES, MARTIN LUTHER KING black people.

Martin Luther King is offensive to the majority of White Americans. Asian Americans are threatened by black people and even hated. Black men and women are racist, far more than any number of White Americans. YOU KNOW THAT AND WE ALL KNOW THAT. YOU VIRGINIANS ARE COWARDS, TOTAL COWARDS AND AFRAID TO PEE IN YOUR PUBLIC BATHROOMS.

You are a disgrace. General Robert E. Lee was a good, good West Point man who loved his heritage. My family was from Georgia and never had slaves, THEY PICKED THEIR OWN COTTON. The Civil War was then, and brothers fought each other, families fought each other over the issues pertaining to the Civil War. And slaves were slaves who were brought in to the country by BLACKS!!!!!!!!!!!!!! You stupid white cowards!!!

blacks are racist far more than the vast majority of white people. And we are going to have another civil war and I, for one will fight. 14% of racist people supposedly "in love" with a phony black man who made no changes in the lives of black people.....LET'S LOOK AT TODAY, is offensive to

300 million American people. Oh, by the way, take a look at the most dangerous people in this dying country.....blacks, blacks and more blacks.

Look at the hate, blacks hate whites and you and I know that.

A civil war is coming and Asians, Hispanics and Whites are sick and tired of the black crap. AND VIRGINIA YOU ARE KISSING THEIR ASSES.

Here is a promise and this message is going viral already.....VIRGINIA IS NOT FOR LOVERS, VIRGINIA IS A RACIST, HATEFUL, black CONTROLLED AND MANIPULATED STATE. DO NOT SPEND YOUR MONEY VISITING THIS STATE, DO NOT.

I had the pleasure of driving through this state this summer and going into the Welcome Areas and passing out the TRUTH about your state and the black control. 790 flyers were distributed in a five hour time frame. We are going to expose the black racist control over the white cowards in this state and we have over 1,200 Virginia people who are gathering more and more people to let this country know the truth.

We are hell bent on saving a state that this country was built in and YOU WHITE RACIST AND BLACK RACIST ASSHOLES WILL NOT WIN. JUST WATCH. Go for the bottom line pocket book, \$\$\$\$\$, get a handle on tourists, keep viral messages letting the country know about CRT, and taking every single memory of the Civil War and the slaves of the NORTH, yes, the north and slavery that was alive and real in the north before, during and after the Civil War. You are being controlled by opportunists and very hateful and racist black people.

YOU COWARDS.....

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Lee Hwy Comments

DD

David DeFoliart <ddefoliart@me.com>

Fri 12/3/2021 4:07 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I do not agree with changing the name or taking down statues and the like. Strikes me as the same thing the Taliban did in the Middle East. Slavery was not positive for America or the world, but it did happen and erasing the history only removes opportunity to teach its evil. Who and what are next? Also, as I remember Lee was anti slavery so why this road.

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FW: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Confederate name change on streets

DI

DOT Info

Tue 12/7/2021 2:21 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force; Watson, Malcolm

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-----Original Message-----

From: wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov <wcm_noreply@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 11:51 AM

To: DOT Info <DOTInfo@fairfaxcounty.gov>

Subject: [Questions or Comments? Contact Us!] Confederate name change on streets

John Eckel (not verified) (lssjohn99@yahoo.com) sent a message using the contact form at

[https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fairfaxcounty.gov%2Ftransportation%2Fcontact%2Ftransportation_general&data=04%7C01%7CDOTConfederateNamesTaskForce%40fairfaxcounty.gov%7C85a50eaf7fe64ccd3c4a08d9b98cc98d%7Ca26156cb5d6f41729d7d934eb0a7b275%7C0%7C0%7C637744836601740499%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000&data=akfnZfUtSCPFW%2BCK7p4J6e5j9FG6NP%2FnquCAWJLpIGs%3D&reserved=0.)

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Message

To save money, just add piece of tape to street signs adding a first name. For example: Peggy Lee - Michael Jackson Highway. :)

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Changing Lee Highway and LeeJackson Highway names

ME

Mona Ehlenberger <mona.ehlenberger@gmail.com>

Sun 11/21/2021 2:35 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Is this " virtue signaling " - and related expense and confusion- really necessary?

Virginia was the commonwealth in which the capital of the Confederacy was located and a lot of names of streets etc reflect that. Let's not go through all this cost and map confusion just to satisfy a small noisy " woke" mob.

Why not put it up to a voter referendum to see if real people really care or if it's just the lefty agitators?

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Street re-naming

JG

John Gennaro <mariner01@verizon.net>

Sun 11/21/2021 1:32 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Cc: John Gennaro <mariner01@verizon.net>

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Part of Virginia's rich history, is that it was a successionist state.

I am not in favor of renaming any streets, or erasing that part of its history.

And as a matter of consistency,

I am not in favor of renaming Jamestown or Hampton because the British may have fallen out of favor.

I am not in favor of renaming Occoquan because someone objects to Native American origins.

I am not in favor of renaming the commonwealth because Planned Parenthood may be upset with the notion of 'virgin queen'.

I am content with the name Fairfax, and would not like to see it changed to Wokeville.

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Lee Highway

JG

Janos Gertler <jgertler36@gmail.com>

Wed 12/1/2021 10:56 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Erasing the name of General Lee would not much right any past wrong and would rather generate new bitterness. Reconciliation (and justice) could be better served by naming a major road after Lincoln, maybe another one after Grant, while leaving Lee and Jackson alone.
Janos John Gertler, Professor Emeritus (GMU)

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Feedback on Rt. 29 and Rt. 50 Name Change Consideration



Oluchi Ofoha-Haimbach <oluchi.r.ofoha@gmail.com>

Sun 11/21/2021 10:21 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



Dear Fairfax County Confederate Names Task Force,

I am a resident of Fairfax, VA and I am in support of changing the names of both Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway.

One reason I support changing the names is that they are too similar and, since they intersect, it is easy for visitors to the area to lose their way. Another reason is these names do not honor, serve, or represent today's Virginia, Fairfax County, or the city of Fairfax in which I live. Since these highways were constructed and named long after the US Civil War, the intent behind the original naming of these highways is questionable as is keeping the highways named after people whose efforts are memorialized through numerous parks and sites in this county.

Thank you for your consideration.

- Oluchi Ofoha-Haimbach
Fairfax County Resident

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Confederate Names

DH

Dennis Halpin <dennishalpin@gmail.com>

Wed 12/1/2021 6:42 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Dear Task Force:

My great-grandfather Captain Patrick Foley fought in the Civil War in Virginia for the Union. Lincoln and against slavery. He was in the 23rd Illinois "Irish Brigade" and served under General Phil Sheridan's command in the Shenandoah Valley, Petersburg, Richmond and Appomattox.

Imagine my dismay when I moved from Illinois to Virginia forty years ago to find various highways, monuments and statues named in Virginia in honor of Confederate rebels with very little honoring the memory of the Union soldiers like my great-grandfather who fought to preserve the Union in Virginia.

Therefore, in the era of "Black Lives Matter" I wholeheartedly endorse efforts to rename Lee Highway, Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway and Jefferson Davis Highway (Jefferson Davis, who led the rebellion, died in his bed while President Lincoln was assassinated by a Confederate sympathizer.)

Thank you for your efforts in this important, historic task.

Regards,

Dennis P. Halpin
10340 Latney Road
Fairfax, VA 22032

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FW: Renaming of of Lee and Lee-Jackson Highways

07

OPA 703Fairfax

Fri 12/3/2021 9:31 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

Good afternoon,

This email was in the OPA email box. Would you please reply to the constituent and cc OPA?

Thanks,
Carmen

From: vairish@cox.net <vairish@cox.net>
Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 4:03 PM
To: OPA 703Fairfax <OPA703Fairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov>
Subject: Renaming of of Lee and Lee-Jackson Highways

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Message:I think thing the renaming of Lee Highway and Lee Jackson Highway is a huge waste of money, particularly after the public survey opposed the idea. Why do we need to rewrite history? Thomas L. Hemingway 8704 Lynn Susan Ct. Springfield, VA 22152

Submitted By: Thomas L. Hemingway
Telephone: 571-251-6284

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RJ

Ralph Johnson <mjohnsonyw@aol.com>

Wed 12/8/2021 2:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Renaming Lee Highway

J **Judy <jzk8@earthlink.net>**

Fri 12/3/2021 3:52 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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No, Lee Highway should not be renamed. It would cost way too much money for the county to change the street signs and reprint all materials that bear the name Lee Highway.

We also have a small business on Lee Highway and it would cost us money to get all of our materials reprinted.

Also, why is this such a big deal? General Lee was an excellent general and deserves to have streets named after him. What difference does it make if he was a confederate general?

Sent from my Sprint Samsung Galaxy S10e.

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Missed deadline for input

LD

Lyon, Denise <Denise.Lyon@hologic.com>

Tue 11/30/2021 6:25 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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While I missed the opportunity to provide input from the recent residential mailers, I do support the changing of Lee Highway to another name that does not memorialize the confederacy.

I don't believe it would be erasing history, instead it would give an opportunity to celebrate another historical or modern figure vital to Northern Virginia.

Warmly,
Denise Lyon
Resident of Burke, VA

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Change the names

EM

Erin McCall <eam158@gmail.com>

Sun 11/21/2021 11:45 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Good evening,

I think both Lee Highway and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway should be renamed.

Thank you for your time,
Erin McCall
Fairfax County resident

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CM

Christine Michaud <christinemichaud9@gmail.com>

Thu 12/2/2021 7:09 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force



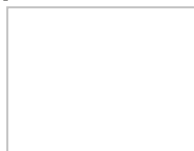
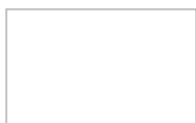
As a citizen of Fairfax County for over 13 years, who took the time to answer the survey about the proposed name change of Lee Jackson and Lee Hwy, I'm appalled that you decided to ignore the vote because it didn't fit your agenda and go your way.

The residents of this county spoke with a majority vote that did NOT favor the name change of these roads. Yet, you, all powerful, decide you know what is best for us? This is disgraceful and you all should be ashamed of yourselves.

Wags & Woofs!

Christine

Christine Michaud, CTC, CPDT-KA, PMCT



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Lee Hwy rename

RM

Ralph & Terri Miller <millerx6@verizon.net>

Thu 12/9/2021 6:29 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

I vote to NOT rename Lee Highway.

Ralph Miller
8304 Colby St, Vienna, VA 22180
703-560-2222

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DN

David Neil <dneil63@gmail.com>

Sun 11/21/2021 4:14 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Confederate Names Task Force Members

I am a Fairfax County resident and I am not in favor of changing any road names, parks, or sc
Sincerely,

David Neil, SR.

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Fw: Renaming Confederate Roads, Sites, Schools, etc--I FIRMLY SUPPORT REMOVING ALL CONFEDERATE NAMES

KO

Keith Osterhage <keith_osterhage@msn.com>

Sat 12/4/2021 6:08 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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From: Keith Osterhage

Sent: Saturday, December 4, 2021 1:02 PM

To: dotconfederatenamestaskforce@fairfaxcounty.gov

Subject: Renaming Confederate Roads, Sites, Schools, etc--I FIRMLY SUPPORT REMOVING ALL CONFEDERATE NAMES

I have been a property owner in Fairfax County since 1980. I have lived in my current residence since 1994. I firmly believe we should not "honor" or "glorify" or "respect" those who fought to preserve the enslavement of human beings. Germany has no such roads/monuments dedicated to Hitler and his ilk, and these names were made to further intimidate a minority population.

Please change them. Bring our county and state into the 21st Century. Teach what slavery and racism was/is in every school--for if you do not learn the lessons of history, you will be condemned to repeat them.

Keith Osterhage
Fairfax Station, VA

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changing names of 50 and 29

PA

Powers, Danielle A. <dapowers@fcps.edu>

Wed 12/8/2021 2:44 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Suggestion for the Task Force

- For Route 50 as it follows the old Little River Turnpike to Aldi – change the name back to “Little River Turnpike” as it was before the Civil War
- For Route 50 as it travels through Fairfax to Arlington and DC, keep “Fairfax Boulevard”
- For Route 29 as it continues to Centreville, I suggest “Fairfax Courthouse Road”
- For Route 29 from Fairfax Circle to Falls Church and into Bailey’s, I suggest “Falls Church Road”

Danielle Powers
Frost MS Librarian
Fairfax County Public Schools
703-426-5703

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Comments on Renaming Lee Hwy, Lee-Jackson Memorial Hwy

PR

paula roberts <paularobertsva@gmail.com>

Mon 12/6/2021 4:44 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I think it would waste taxpayers' money, and would cause a lot of confusion by renaming both roads. I'm sure you've heard that America is now less than 50% white. The Black population is not growing. **In this area the majority of people may have been born in another country or are the children of first generation immigrants.** The Civil War is meaningless to many productive foreign born citizens. **Most of the foreign born citizens that have integrated so well into our area don't know who Robert E. Lee and Andrew Jackson were.** They're not offended. I really think a very, very small number of people in this area are offended by the name of Robert E. Lee. **What is the cost of new street signs, public awareness campaigns of name changes, and costs for printing numerous maps with name changes?** The nation is facing major inflation cost increases which are not going away. Due to all the economic difficulties, **you should not make any name changes,** if you decide to make name changes, **until the economy improves.**

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Name Changes

CS

Christine Simpson <cbsim19@hotmail.com>

Sun 12/5/2021 2:58 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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PLEASE don't change the names!

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Change the Names

GT

G.Esther Taylor <albataylor@yahoo.com>

Mon 11/22/2021 12:13 AM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Yes, I agree with changing the Confederate States related names from highways.

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Re: No, just no

IT

Ingrid Torres-McCullough <intorres9@hotmail.com>

Sun 11/21/2021 3:10 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

In case you need a reminder of how poorly our kids are doing - this is from the VDOE.

Focus folks. There are MUCH higher priorities.

Subject	Subgroup	2018-2019	2020-2021	Change
English: Reading	All Students	81	73	-8
Mathematics	All Students	86	61	-25
Science	All Students	84	65	-19
English: Reading	Asian	89	86	-3
Mathematics	Asian	95	80	-15
Science	Asian	93	81	-12
English: Reading	Black	72	66	-6
Mathematics	Black	76	46	-30
Science	Black	73	49	-24
English: Reading	Disadvantaged	60	49	-11
Mathematics	Disadvantaged	71	34	-37
Science	Disadvantaged	65	37	-28
English: Reading	English Learners	34	22	-12
Mathematics	English Learners	58	19	-39
Science	English Learners	38	10	-28
English: Reading	Female	83	76	-7
Mathematics	Female	87	60	-27
Science	Female	84	65	-19
English: Reading	Hispanic	61	48	-13
Mathematics	Hispanic	72	33	-39
Science	Hispanic	65	37	-28
English: Reading	Male	79	71	-8
Mathematics	Male	85	61	-24
Science	Male	83	66	-17
English: Reading	Disabilities	54	47	-7
Mathematics	Disabilities	61	36	-25
Science	Disabilities	56	36	-20
English: Reading	White	90	86	-4
Mathematics	White	93	73	-20
Science	White	93	79	-14

Ingrid

On Nov 21, 2021, at 10:09 AM, Ingrid Torres-McCullough <intorres9@hotmail.com> wrote:

In the face of a pandemic, rising inflation, joblessness, increased crime, drug addictions, and destructive sexual and racial ideologies being pushed on public schoolchildren, why are local governments wasting money and government resources on renaming roads and schools?

When FFX Co school children are failing at alarming rates due to failed covid policies, why are local government bureaucrats wasting money focusing on renaming roads instead of on getting our children caught up?

Stop the madness. Stop wasting taxpayer money.

Ingrid

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Input

PW

PatnKari Wells <patandkariaf@gmail.com>

Sun 11/21/2021 6:54 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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The names are repugnant. However, why do they need to be named at all?

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Changing road names

EZ

Edward Zammit <fxavierz@icloud.com>

Fri 12/3/2021 7:32 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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I'm not Virginian or a southerner, in fact I'm a first generation American. How would you like someone to come into your state, city or country, for that matter, and demand that the roads, streets and buildings be renamed because you don't like them? Don't we have something better to do than to rename roads so that we are not reminded of history? The term snowflake comes to mind.

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Feedback re the Confederate Names

SM

Sona Martirosyan <msonaxm@gmail.com>

Fri 12/10/2021 4:49 PM

To: DOT Confederate Names Task Force

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Good morning,

This may be a bit late but I wanted to share my thoughts on this issue.

I would like to urge you not to rename the highways. Lee was a very successful general, and part of our country's history. Sure, the general owned slaves; but that was not out of the ordinary for the time period and the society norms that he lived in. Of course, now we know slavery is a bad practice, and we as a society have improved.

However, slavery has existed since ancient times in many continents (e.g. slaves built Egyptian pyramids, many countries/tribes would turn their enemies into slaves upon victory). Therefore, I don't see the reasoning of dismissing the great military proficiency for a practice that was simply part of the world that he lived in.

Thank you,
Sona

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