Bridges named in honour of fallen police officers

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Two bridges in Edmonton are being named in honour of fallen Edmonton police officers Constable Travis Jordan and Constable Brett Ryan.

Two bridges on southwest Anthony Henday Drive over the North Saskatchewan River between Terwilliger Drive and Maskekosihk Trail in Edmonton are being dedicated in honour of Constable Travis Jordan and Constable Brett Ryan of the Edmonton Police Service who died in the line of duty on March 16, 2023.

"We are deeply saddened by the loss of Constable Jordan and Constable Ryan who sacrificed their lives protecting the citizens of Edmonton just over a year ago. The naming of these bridges in the city in which they served will honour the memory of these two brave police officers." *Devin Dreeshen, Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors*

"Our province will forever be deeply grateful for the sacrifice and commitment of Constable Jordan and Constable Ryan. To the families and friends of these fallen officers, may this bridge renaming honour your loved ones for generations to come as heroes who had the courage to protect our community."

Mike Ellis, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services

Constable Travis Jordan joined the Edmonton Police Service in October 2014. He started in Recruit Training Class 132 on November 3, 2014. Following his graduation, he moved to West Branch, Squad 6. He later moved to Squad 4, where he spent almost eight years working patrol.

Constable Brett Ryan joined the Edmonton Police Service Recruit Training Class 141 on August 14, 2017. Upon graduating, Constable Ryan moved to West Branch, Squad 4 on January 28, 2018.

"I am deeply grateful to the Government of Alberta for their support during our time of such profound loss. This is a poignant tribute to Travis and Brett's service, reminding Edmontonians of the sacrifice they made in their dedication to keeping our city safe. They will never be forgotten; every day, we honour their legacy." *Dale McFee, Chief, Edmonton Police Service*

"The Edmonton Police Association wants to take the opportunity to commend the City of Edmonton and Province of Alberta for their continued support for our fallen members and families. Our past fallen members legacies have been woven into parks, schools and Arena names. It is truly amazing how the community we serve continues to find incredible ways to honour and pay tribute to our Edmonton Police members. This touching bridge naming and announcement by the Province of Alberta illustrates another display and way to ensure Cst. Travis JORDAN and Cst. Brett RYAN are forever remembered. Thank you!" *Curtis Hoople, president, Edmonton Police Association*

"With heartfelt appreciation, we wish to extend our deepest thanks to the Government of Alberta and the Edmonton Police Service for the extraordinary gesture of naming the bridge after Travis. Your dedication and commitment to preserving Travis' memory have touched our hearts in ways words cannot express. It's a powerful declaration, and we are profoundly grateful for the decision to honour his legacy in this way and for knowing that his memory will be forever etched into the fabric of our community." *Annie Jordan*

"We are overwhelmed with gratitude. The decision to commemorate Brett is a touching tribute to the values he cherished and the unwavering dedication he demonstrated throughout his life in service to his community. We want to express our sincere gratitude to the Government of Alberta and the Edmonton Police Service for honouring Brett's memory and carrying forth his legacy with such grace and respect. We are incredibly thankful for this lasting tribute that will stand as a tangible reminder of Brett's profound impact on all who knew him." *Ashley Ryan*

The eastbound bridge will be dedicated in memory of Constable Jordan who was born in Digby, Nova Scotia. The westbound bridge will be dedicated in memory of Constable Ryan who was born in Edmonton and lived in Spruce Grove. Memorial signs with the fallen officers' names will be posted at the ends of each bridge.