

AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 29, 2005

**Senate Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 20**

**Introduced by Senator Soto**  
**(Coauthor: Senator Margett)**  
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Huff)

February 15, 2005

---

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20—Relative to the CHP Officer Thomas J. Steiner Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 20, as amended, Soto. CHP Officer Thomas J. Steiner Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a section of State Highway Route 60 in the City of Pomona as the CHP Officer Thomas J. Steiner Memorial Highway. The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers showing this designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect appropriate plaques and markers.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, The calling to be a peace officer is one of the  
2 highest vocations of public service, and any individual who  
3 accepts this calling is worthy of the highest respect and honor the  
4 community, state, and nation can provide; and  
5 WHEREAS, California Highway Patrol Officer Thomas J.  
6 Steiner was killed in the line of duty in the afternoon of April 21,  
7 2004. Officer Thomas J. Steiner was slain by an armed assailant  
8 while leaving Los Angeles Superior Court in Pomona; and  
9 WHEREAS, Thomas J. Steiner succumbed to his injuries as a  
10 result of the assault; and

1 WHEREAS, Thomas J. Steiner is survived by his wife, Heidi,  
2 his son, Bryan, his stepson, Justin, his mother, Carole Steiner, his  
3 father, Ron Steiner, his sister, Julie Sparks, and many beloved  
4 family members and friends; and

5 WHEREAS, Thomas J. Steiner was born on February 14,  
6 1969, in Richmond, Virginia. His family lived in Long Beach,  
7 California, where he attended and graduated from Millikan High  
8 School; and

9 WHEREAS, Prior to beginning his career with the California  
10 Highway Patrol, Thomas J. Steiner attended Cal Poly Pomona  
11 where he received a Bachelor's Degree in business; and

12 WHEREAS, Thomas J. Steiner joined the California Highway  
13 Patrol on October 19, 1998. After successfully completing his  
14 academy training, he reported to the Santa Fe Springs area; and

15 WHEREAS, Thomas J. Steiner made significant contributions  
16 to traffic safety and to the motoring public while assigned to the  
17 Santa Fe Springs area office; and

18 WHEREAS, Thomas J. Steiner served five years as a sworn  
19 peace officer for the California Highway Patrol and was known  
20 by his fellow officers for his dedication to the department and to  
21 the protection of the citizens of our state; now, therefore, be it

22 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*  
23 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates the  
24 portion of State Highway Route 60 in the City of Pomona,  
25 beginning with ~~mile marker 28.00~~ *Phillips Ranch Road* and  
26 ending at ~~mile marker 30.36~~ *Golden Springs Road*, as the CHP  
27 Officer Thomas J. Steiner Memorial Highway; and be it further

28 *Resolved,* That the Department of Transportation is requested  
29 to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers,  
30 consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway  
31 system, showing these special designations, and upon receiving  
32 donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to  
33 erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

34 *Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of  
35 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

O