

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 19, 2005

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 37

Introduced by Senator Florez

April 6, 2005

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 37—Relative to the Donald E. DeMers Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 37, as amended, Florez. Donald E. DeMers Highway.

This measure would designate ~~the~~ a portion of State Highway Route 41 in the City of Fresno as the Donald E. DeMers Highway. The measure would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost for appropriate signs showing this designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Donald E. DeMers served as the first and only
2 Executive Director of the Fresno County Transportation
3 Authority since 1987; and

4 WHEREAS, Donald E. DeMers graduated Magna Cum Laude
5 from the University of North Dakota in 1966, with a bachelor's
6 degree in Political Science; and

7 WHEREAS, Donald E. DeMers earned a master's degree in
8 Political Science and Public Administration from the University
9 of North Dakota in 1971; and

10 WHEREAS, During his tenure at the Fresno County
11 Transportation Authority, Donald E. DeMers led the ~~creation of~~
12 *effort to construct freeways on* State Highway Route 41, State
13 Highway Route 180, and State Highway Route 168; and

1 WHEREAS, Fresno County was one of the first counties
2 statewide to become a self-help county, taxing itself to augment
3 road construction throughout the county. Donald E. DeMers led
4 the county’s representation on a committee which was formed of
5 fellow self-help counties called the Self-Help Counties coalition
6 throughout his time with the Fresno County Transportation
7 Authority; now, therefore, be it

8 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
9 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby officially
10 designates the portion of State Highway Route 41 ~~located~~
11 *between Jensen and Elkhorn Avenues* in the City of Fresno as the
12 “Donald E. DeMers Highway”; and be it further

13 *Resolved,* That the Department of Transportation is requested
14 to determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the
15 signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this
16 special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate
17 sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs; and be it
18 further

19 *Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
20 this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
21 author for appropriate distribution.