

## Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 122

### RESOLUTION CHAPTER 94

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 122—Relative to the Robert and Pat Nimmo Memorial Highway.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 122, Blakeslee. The Robert and Pat Nimmo Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate the portion of State Highway Route 41 between Creston Road and El Camino Real in the County of San Luis Obispo as the Robert and Pat Nimmo Memorial Highway. The measure would also request that the Department of Transportation determine the cost for appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, erect those signs.

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo was born in Balboa, California in 1922 to a pioneer ranching family; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo married Patricia Anne Stone in 1950, and together they had three children, Mary, Augusta, and Kathleen; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo enrolled at the California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo in 1940 and later joined the Cal Poly Rodeo Team; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served from 1943 through 1946 as a pilot in the United States Army Air Corps; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served from 1950 through 1952 as Company Commander, 161st Ordnance Company; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo's crew was later assigned to the 448th Bombardment Group, 8th United States Air Force, flying missions over France and Germany during the landing at Normandy on June 6, 1944; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo worked with the California State Military Department in various military assignments from 1955 through 1970; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo became a member of the California National Guard at Camp San Luis Obispo, later earned the position of commanding officer of San Luis Obispo's 161st Ordnance Depot Company, and later became installation commander at Camp San Luis; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo retired with the rank of colonel and in 1964 graduated from the United States Army Command and General Staff College; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo was appointed in 1970 by Governor Ronald Reagan to serve as United States property and fiscal officer for the State of California from 1970 through 1973; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served as a California State Assembly Member from 1972 through 1976, representing the Counties of Monterey, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served as a California State Senator from 1976 through 1980, representing the Counties of Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Santa Cruz; and

WHEREAS, Legislation authored by Robert Nimmo effectively advocated for local constituents; and

WHEREAS, This legislation included the development of facilities at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, improvements to schools in the Atascadero Unified School District, conservation efforts devoted to Morro Bay State Park, and the protection of Moonstone Beach; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served on the Assembly Agriculture, Energy and Diminishing Materials, Resources and Land Use, Elections and Reapportionment, Employment and Public Employees, Natural Resources and Conservation, Water, and Retirement Committees; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served on the Senate Rules, Finance, Agriculture, Local Government, Water Resources, and Revenue and Taxation Committees; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo was an unwavering and vigorous advocate for the California agricultural community; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo was appointed by President Ronald Reagan as the Administrator of Veterans Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served on the Atascadero city council from 1990 to 1994; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo served as Mayor of Atascadero from 1992 through 1994; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo worked tirelessly on many issues with the city council, including local economic development, housing, and transportation projects, and was recognized for conducting meetings cordially and with earnest respect to all members and stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nimmo was born in Salinas in 1926; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nimmo's family moved to Carrizo Plains in San Luis Obispo County in 1929, where she lived with her ranching family for the next 11 years; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nimmo moved to Atascadero in 1955 with her husband Robert Nimmo; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nimmo established Nimmo Realty Corp. in Atascadero and worked as a real estate broker for more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nimmo was a wonderfully energetic participant in the Republican Women's Federation, the Atascadero Chamber of Commerce, and St. William's Church in Atascadero; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo and Patricia Nimmo were an inseparable couple, both devoted to serving their community; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nimmo was the victim of a tragic car accident while walking with her husband near Highway 41; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nimmo died on November 7, 2005; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of State Highway Route 41 between Creston Road and El Camino Real in the County of San Luis Obispo as the Robert and Pat Nimmo Memorial Highway; and be it further

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

*Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.