

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 22, 2008

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 53

Introduced by Senators Denham and Cogdill

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Aghazarian, Berryhill, and Galgiani)

May 24, 2007

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 53—Relative to ~~California Highway Patrol Officer Earl H. Scott.~~ *the CHP Officer Earl H. Scott Memorial Highway.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 53, as amended, Denham. ~~California Highway Patrol CHP Officer Earl H. Scott Memorial Highway.~~

This measure would express the Legislature's condolences and heartfelt sorrow for the tragic loss suffered by the California Highway Patrol and the family and friends of Officer Earl H. Scott as a result of Officer Scott's untimely death in the line of duty, would express its appreciation for the service and dedication of Officer Scott, and would commend and recognize the professionalism, bravery, and selflessness of Officer Scott in the performance of his duties. The measure would designate ~~a portion of State Highway Route 99 in the County of Stanislaus,~~ as the *California Highway Patrol specified segment of State Highway Route 219 in Modesto as the CHP Officer Earl H. Scott Memorial Highway.* The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, California Highway Patrol Officer Earl H. Scott
2 was born October 22, 1969, in Banning, California; and

3 WHEREAS, Officer Scott was a reserve officer for the Modesto
4 Police Department from June 1996 to August 2000; and

5 WHEREAS, Officer Scott was a state correctional officer at
6 Sierra Conservation Center for approximately six years, until 2001,
7 and had qualified to be a member of the S.W.A.T. team; and

8 WHEREAS, Officer Scott, the son of a retired California
9 Highway Patrol Sergeant, joined the California Highway Patrol
10 in 2001, and started his career in Santa Cruz, but transferred to
11 Modesto after six months; and

12 WHEREAS, In the early morning hours of February 17, 2006,
13 Officer Scott, 36, was tragically killed in the line of duty just two
14 days short of his fifth year anniversary as a highway patrolman,
15 when he was fatally shot during a traffic stop on State Route 99
16 outside Ripon, California; and

17 WHEREAS, Officer Scott is remembered by his friends and
18 neighbors as a fun-loving, energetic, intelligent, open, generous,
19 friendly, and down to earth person who was always willing to put
20 aside his own concerns to help a friend; and

21 WHEREAS, Officer Scott is survived by his mother Judy
22 Whitney, his father and stepmother William and Terrie Scott, his
23 sister Lena Tate, and many beloved family members and friends;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, Officer Scott will be greatly missed by his family
26 and by all who knew him, and he will always be remembered for
27 his professionalism, hard work, and dedication to the California
28 Highway Patrol; now, therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature expresses its condolences
31 and heartfelt sorrow for the tragic loss suffered by the California
32 Highway Patrol and the family and friends of Officer Earl H. Scott
33 as a result of Officer Scott's untimely death in the line of duty,
34 expresses its appreciation for the service and dedication of Officer
35 Scott, and hereby commends and recognizes the professionalism,
36 bravery, and selflessness of Officer Scott in the performance of
37 his duties; and be it further

38 *Resolved*, That the Legislature designates the portion of State
39 ~~Highway Route 99 one mile before and one mile after its~~
40 ~~intersection with Hammett Road, in the County of Stanislaus, as~~

1 ~~the California Highway Patrol Officer Earl H. Scott Memorial~~
2 ~~Highway Route 219 from State Highway Route 99 to State Highway~~
3 ~~Route 108, in Modesto, Stanislaus County, as the CHP Officer~~
4 ~~Earl H. Scott Memorial Highway; and be it further~~

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

11 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
12 this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
13 author for appropriate distribution.