

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 76

Introduced by Assembly Member Chesbro

July 11, 2011

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 76—Relative to CHP Officer Thomas R. Adams Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 76, as introduced, Chesbro. CHP Officer Thomas R. Adams Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 101 in the County of Mendocino as the CHP Officer Thomas R. Adams 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 (CHP) Officer Thomas
- 2 Richard Adams was born on June 12, 1986, to Bruce and Karen
- 3 Adams, in San Francisco; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Officer Adams graduated from Fortuna High
- 5 School in 2004 and attended Humboldt State University in Arcata
- 6 and the College of the Redwoods in Eureka, from 2005 to 2006;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, Officer Adams was employed by a local tree
- 9 service in Humboldt County prior to becoming a CHP officer; and

1 WHEREAS, Officer Adams graduated from the CHP Academy
2 on January 23, 2009, and, upon graduation, was assigned to the
3 Oakland area office for one year and seven months, prior to being
4 transferred to the Garberville area where he spent the remainder
5 of his career; and

6 WHEREAS, Officer Adams, Badge No. 19365, was killed in
7 the line of duty on February 15, 2011, when his patrol car crossed
8 over the center yellow lines of State Highway Route 101 (U.S.
9 101) near Piercy and was struck by an oncoming pickup truck;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Officer Adams is survived by his parents and his
12 brother, Sean; and

13 WHEREAS, Officer Adams was a hardworking, dedicated
14 officer who took pride in achieving his lifelong dream of becoming
15 a CHP officer, who was known for being a loyal friend and family
16 member, and who was always there to lend a helping hand when
17 a friend was in need; and

18 WHEREAS, Officer Adams maintained regular contact with
19 distant family members and had an incredible sense of humor, and
20 spent his spare time watching and playing football, weightlifting,
21 and strength training; and

22 WHEREAS, It is therefore appropriate to designate a portion
23 of Route 101 in his honor; now, therefore, be it

24 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
25 *thereof concurring*, That the portion of State Highway Route 101
26 between the intersection of State Highway Route 271 to the South
27 Fork of the Eel River (Postmile 102.00 to Postmile 106.57) in the
28 County of Mendocino is hereby designated as the CHP Officer
29 Thomas R. Adams Memorial Highway; and be it further

30 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is requested
31 to determine the costs of erecting appropriate signs, consistent
32 with the signing requirements for the state highway system,
33 showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations
34 from nonstate sources covering the cost, to erect those signs; and
35 be it further

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

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