

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 51

Introduced by Assembly Members Jones and V. Manuel Pérez

April 22, 2013

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 51—Relative to the Jimmy A. Arevalo Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 51, as introduced, Jones. Jimmy A. Arevalo Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 8 in the County of San Diego as the Jimmy A. Arevalo Memorial Highway. The measure would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing that special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Jimmy A. Arevalo was born on August 11, 1952,
2 in Calexico; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Arevalo graduated from Calexico High School
4 in 1971, served in the United States Army and was honorably
5 discharged in 1972, attended Imperial Valley College and later
6 San Diego State University, receiving an associate of arts degree
7 and a bachelor's degree in liberal studies, respectively, received
8 his teaching credential in 1978, subsequently was awarded a
9 master's degree in public administration from San Diego State
10 University in 1980, and received a community college instructor
11 credential from the California Community Colleges; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Arevalo began his lifetime teaching career at
2 Dool Elementary School in the Calexico Unified School District
3 on January 3, 1978, where he taught for 34 years, most recently
4 as a fifth grade teacher; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Arevalo also taught at Imperial Valley College
6 as an adjunct instructor in the English Department, and was
7 employed by the Imperial County Office of Education as a migrant
8 education principal for the Heber Migrant Summer School
9 Program; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Arevalo has been recognized for his leadership
11 skills and outstanding service to the St. Mary's 4-H Club, Heber
12 Migrant Program, El Centro Elementary School District Migrant
13 Program, Imperial Valley College, and Calexico Unified School
14 District; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Arevalo was known for his interest in
16 aerodynamics, rocketry, and woodworking, among other things,
17 was always willing to lend someone a helping hand, and was
18 always encouraging his students to continue with their education;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, On June 11, 2012, Mr. Arevalo was tragically
21 killed in a multivehicle crash on State Highway Route 8 near
22 Alpine in the County of San Diego involving a suspected drunk
23 driver; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Arevalo is survived by his wife of 30 years
25 Silvia, as well as his sons Bernardo and Roberto, and his daughter
26 Lisa "Lupita"; and

27 WHEREAS, In order to keep Mr. Arevalo's spirit alive, the
28 Calexico Educational Foundation established a scholarship in order
29 to grant funding to a Calexico High School senior who has been
30 admitted to a four-year accredited university or college, through
31 the Jimmy A. Arevalo Memorial Scholarship; and

32 WHEREAS, It is therefore appropriate to designate a portion
33 of State Highway Route 8 in honor of Jimmy A. Arevalo; now,
34 therefore, be it

35 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
36 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates the
37 portion of State Highway Route 8 between post-miles R27.30 and
38 R28.46 in the County of San Diego as the Jimmy A. Arevalo
39 Memorial Highway; and be it further

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

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

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