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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 100

Introduced by Assembly Member Travis Allen

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 100—Relative to the Kevin Woyjeck Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 100, as amended, Travis Allen. Kevin Woyjeck Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a portion of Interstate 405 in the County of Orange as the Kevin Woyjeck 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, As the son of a captain in the Los Angeles County
2 Fire Department, the grandson of a smokejumper, and the eighth
3 firefighter in the Woyjeck family, Kevin Woyjeck knew from an
4 early age that he wanted to be a firefighter and was laser-focused
5 on achieving that goal; and

6 WHEREAS, Kevin grew up in Seal Beach, California, and
7 attended McGaugh Elementary School in Seal Beach and
8 McAuliffe Middle School and Los Alamitos High School, both in
9 Los Alamitos, California; and

10 WHEREAS, Kevin was a very active person who loved the
11 outdoors from an early age and could often be found fishing or
12 diving anywhere from Seal Beach to Laguna Beach; and

13 WHEREAS, Kevin spent every summer for nine years as a Seal
14 Beach Junior Lifeguard; and

15 WHEREAS, When he was 15 years old, Kevin joined the Los
16 Angeles County Fire Department Explorer Program, a program
17 that he loved because the firefighters taught him so much about
18 the fire department and station etiquette; and

19 WHEREAS, Kevin became an emergency medical technician
20 while in high school and worked on an ambulance crew shortly
21 after graduating; and

22 WHEREAS, Kevin had extensive training as a firefighter, having
23 taken firefighting classes at Santa Ana College, El Camino College
24 Structure Fire Academy, and the Department of Forestry and Fire
25 Protection Academy in San Luis Obispo; and

26 WHEREAS, Kevin also spent a season in South Dakota, where
27 he joined the Johnson Valley Volunteer Fire Department and
28 performed indirect wildland firefighting for the South Dakota
29 Wildland Fire Division as part of a Type 2-IA Handcrew; and

30 WHEREAS, In April 2013, Kevin was honored to join the
31 Granite Mountain Hotshots, an elite crew of 20 young men in top
32 condition, based in Prescott, Arizona, who had direct wildland
33 firefighting responsibilities with the ability to provide service
34 anywhere in the nation; and

35 WHEREAS, After successfully fighting fires and saving lives
36 and property in New Mexico and Arizona, Kevin and the other
37 members of the crew responded to an out-of-control fire in Yarnell,
38 Arizona, on June 30, 2013; and

1 WHEREAS, Nineteen of the twenty young men in the Granite
2 Mountain Hotshots tragically lost their lives in the fire, including
3 Kevin; and

4 WHEREAS, Kevin always had a smile on his face and, although
5 he was taken at 21 years of age, he lived and loved a full life's
6 worth; now, therefore, be it

7 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
8 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the
9 portion of Interstate 405 between postmile 24.178 and postmile
10 20.4 in the County of Orange as the Kevin Woyjeck Memorial
11 Highway; and be it further

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

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