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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 91

Introduced by Assembly Member Alejo

June 19, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 91—~~Relative to the Dolores Huerta Highway. Relative to memorial highways.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 91, as amended, Alejo. ~~Dolores Huerta Highway. Memorial highways.~~

This measure would designate the overpass on San Juan Road over State Highway 101 in the City of Aromas and the County of San Benito as The Red Barn Overpass. The measure would also designate specified portions of State Route 183 and State Highway 101 in the County of Monterey as the Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward Balli Memorial Highway, the Specialist Ricardo Cerros, Jr. Memorial Highway, and the Sgt. Javier Sanchez Memorial Highway.

The measure would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing these special designations and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

~~This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 152 in the City of Watsonville and the County of Santa Cruz as the Dolores Huerta 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, The Big Red Barn located off State Highway 101*
2 *in Aromas, California, was built by Kaiser Aluminum for the*
3 *Ellingwood Hay Company in 1945 during World War II; and*

4 *WHEREAS, People from all over the world have traveled to the*
5 *Big Red Barn for its famous Disneyana and antiques, building its*
6 *reputation as a historical landmark; and*

7 *WHEREAS, For over 40 years, the Big Red Barn has served as*
8 *the site for the Big Red Barn Flea Market, one of the largest*
9 *regular gatherings in the region encompassing the Counties of*
10 *San Benito and Monterey; and*

11 *WHEREAS, The flea market is host to many different small*
12 *vendors and individuals who travel from all over the region to sell*
13 *all kinds of products and local specialties; and*

14 *WHEREAS, During these Sunday gatherings, sellers and*
15 *shoppers from many different ethnic backgrounds seek to do*
16 *commerce harmoniously with one another; and*

17 *WHEREAS, This piece of history is a symbol of diversity and*
18 *has become renowned for its significance in the local community*
19 *and its importance in bringing people and cultures from all walks*
20 *of life together; and*

21 *WHEREAS, United States Army Chief Warrant Officer 2 Edward*
22 *Balli from Salinas, California, was killed in action in Afghanistan*
23 *on January 20, 2014, and received two Bronze Stars for his service*
24 *in Iraq and Afghanistan; and*

25 *WHEREAS, United States Army Specialist Ricardo Cerros, Jr.*
26 *from Salinas, California, was killed in action in Afghanistan on*
27 *October 8, 2011, and received the Purple Heart; and*

28 *WHEREAS, United States Army Sgt. Javier Sanchez from*
29 *Greenfield, California, was killed in action in Afghanistan on June*
30 *23, 2013; now, therefore, be it*

31 RESOLVED, BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF
32 CALIFORNIA, THE SENATE THEREOF CONCURRING, *That*
33 *the Legislature hereby designates the overpass on San Juan Road*
34 *that passes over State Highway 101 near the Big Red Barn in the*
35 *City of Aromas and the County of San Benito as The Red Barn*
36 *Overpass; and be it further*

37 RESOLVED, *That the Legislature hereby designates the portion*
38 *of State Route 183 in the City of Salinas from Davis Road to*

1 *Espinosa Road in the County of Monterey as the Chief Warrant*
2 *Officer 2 Edward Balli Memorial Highway; and be it further*

3 RESOLVED, *That the Legislature hereby designates the portion*
4 *of State Highway 101 from John Street in the City of Salinas to*
5 *Exit 317 in Chualar in the County of Monterey as the Specialist*
6 *Ricardo Cerros, Jr. Memorial Highway; and be it further*

7 RESOLVED, *That the Legislature hereby designates the portion*
8 *of State Highway 101 in the City of Soledad in the County of*
9 *Monterey from Arroyo Seco Road to Teague Avenue the Sgt. Javier*
10 *Sanchez Memorial Highway; and be it further*

11 RESOLVED, *That the Department of Transportation is*
12 *requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing these*
13 *special designations, consistent with the signing requirements for*
14 *the state highway system, and, upon receiving donations from*
15 *nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs; and be*
16 *it further*

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

20 ~~WHEREAS, Dolores Huerta, born April 10, 1930, is a labor~~
21 ~~leader and civil rights activist who, along with César Chávez,~~
22 ~~cofounded the National Farm Workers Association, which later~~
23 ~~became the United Farm Workers of America (UFW), and gained~~
24 ~~national attention after she led a boycott of table grapes in the~~
25 ~~1960s; and~~

26 ~~WHEREAS, Dolores Huerta has recieved numerous awards for~~
27 ~~her community service and advocaey for the rights of workers,~~
28 ~~immigrants, and women, including the Eugene V. Debs Foundation~~
29 ~~Outstanding American Award, the Eleanor Roosevelt Award for~~
30 ~~Human Rights, and the Presidential Medal of Freedom; and~~

31 ~~WHEREAS, Dolores Huerta spent time in the City of~~
32 ~~Watsonville organizing farmworkers for fair treatment; and~~

33 ~~WHEREAS, Dolores Huerta led a boycott of table grapes in the~~
34 ~~1960s, which was supported by an estimated 17 million Americans~~
35 ~~and brought the plight of farmworkers into the public eye, leading~~
36 ~~to the passage of the California Agricultural Labor Relations Act,~~
37 ~~which allowed farmworkers the right to organize and bargain for~~
38 ~~better working conditions and higher wages; and~~

39 ~~WHEREAS, Dolores Huerta also helped lead a 10-year effort~~
40 ~~to gain amnesty for farmworkers who had lived, worked, and paid~~

1 ~~taxes in the United States, resulting in the Immigration Reform~~
2 ~~and Control Act of 1986, which granted amnesty to 1.4 million~~
3 ~~farmworkers; and~~

4 ~~WHEREAS, After leaving the UFW in 2002, Dolores Huerta~~
5 ~~began focusing her attention on a host of other issues, including~~
6 ~~immigration, quality education for Latino children, feminism,~~
7 ~~equality for women, and reproductive freedom; and~~

8 ~~WHEREAS, As the president of the Dolores Huerta Foundation,~~
9 ~~Dolores Huerta organizes forums and programs that focus on social~~
10 ~~justice and public policy issues, and encourages people to~~
11 ~~participate in elections to help choose their representatives; now,~~
12 ~~therefore, be it~~

13 ~~*Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*~~
14 ~~*thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the*~~
15 ~~*portion of State Highway Route 152 from Carlton Road to Main*~~
16 ~~*Street to the junction with State Highway Route 1 in the City of*~~
17 ~~*Watsonville and the County of Santa Cruz as the Dolores Huerta*~~
18 ~~*Highway; and be it further*~~

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

25 ~~*Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies*~~
26 ~~*of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author*~~
27 ~~*for appropriate distribution.*~~