

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 107**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Grove**  
**(Coauthor: Assembly Member Salas)**  
(Coauthors: Senators Fuller and Vidak)

September 2, 2015

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 107—Relative to the Bakersfield Police Officer David J. Nelson Memorial Bridge.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 107, as introduced, Grove. Bakersfield Police Officer David J. Nelson Memorial Bridge.

This measure would designate the Hosking Road interchange over State Route 99 in the City of Bakersfield as the Bakersfield Police Officer David J. Nelson Memorial Bridge. The measure would request that the Department of Transportation determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this designation and, upon receipt of donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, On June 26, 2015, Officer David J. Nelson of the
- 2 Bakersfield Police Department gave his life while performing his
- 3 sworn duty to protect the citizens of the City of Bakersfield; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Officer Nelson graduated from the Kern County
- 5 Law Enforcement Training Academy on June 21, 2013, and served
- 6 with distinction during his tenure as a City of Bakersfield police
- 7 officer; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Officer Nelson was chosen as a defensive tactics
- 9 instructor for the Bakersfield Police Department in recognition of

1 his advanced skill in officer safety techniques and, because of his  
2 commitment to excellence, was also selected to mentor and train  
3 police officer trainees; and

4 WHEREAS, On June 26, 2015, Officer Nelson attempted to  
5 detain a dangerous and armed suspect who likely was planning to  
6 harm a citizen of Bakersfield. When the suspect failed to stop his  
7 vehicle as directed, Officer Nelson bravely gave chase and, during  
8 the pursuit of the suspect, Officer Nelson was killed in a fatal  
9 vehicle accident; and

10 WHEREAS, Officer Nelson sacrificed his own life to save the  
11 lives of others; and

12 WHEREAS, Officer Nelson demonstrated commitment,  
13 sacrifice, and courage that serves as a shining example of an  
14 exemplary law enforcement professional; now, therefore, be it

15 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
16 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the  
17 Hosking Road interchange over State Route 99 in the City of  
18 Bakersfield as the Bakersfield Police Officer David J. Nelson  
19 Memorial Bridge; and be it further

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

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