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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 131

Introduced by Assembly Member Anderson

February 18, 2010

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 131—Relative to Historic Highway Route 94.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 131, as amended, Anderson. Historic Highway Route 94.

This measure would designate a specified portion of Highway Route 94 in San Diego County as Historic Highway Route 94, and would 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, Highway Route 94 was previously known as
2 Campo Road or Old Route 200, which began as foot trails, and
3 with great labor was improved to accommodate wagons and
4 stagecoaches and, until 1918, was the main artery road from San
5 Diego, California to Yuma, Arizona; and
6 WHEREAS, In 1829, the trails provided access to the Jamul
7 Rancho owned by Governor Don Pio Pico; and
8 WHEREAS, In the 1880s, Campo Road provided necessary and
9 difficult access for the backcountry pioneers to San Diego to sell
10 their products and secure needed supplies; and
11 WHEREAS, The first telegraph line from San Diego to Arizona
12 followed the general route of Campo Road in 1874; and

1 WHEREAS, The first horseless carriage trip on Campo Road
2 from San Diego to Campo and back was made in 1904 by John
3 Gay of Lakeside; and

4 WHEREAS, The early Campo Road was used by the United
5 States Military during the Mexican Revolution in 1911, during
6 World War I, and extensively during World War II for support of
7 Camp Lockett located in Campo; and

8 WHEREAS, Camp Lockett was the last home of the famous
9 Buffalo Soldiers of the 10th Cavalry of the United States Army;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, On August 21, 1933, the title to Old Route 200
12 was transferred to the State of California and renamed Highway
13 Route 94; and

14 WHEREAS, The beginning of Highway Route 94 at the time
15 of transfer was in Lemon Grove at North Avenue and Imperial
16 Avenue (now Lemon Grove Avenue), continuing through Spring
17 Valley, Jamul, Dulzura, Cottonwood Grade, Potrero Grade, to
18 Campo, then easterly along Campo Creek and terminating at the
19 junction of State Highway Route 12 at White Star, a total distance
20 of about 66 miles; and

21 *WHEREAS, The San Diego and Arizona Railway, the last*
22 *transcontinental rail link built in the United States, which was*
23 *completed in 1919, crosses Highway Route 94 in five locations,*
24 *two at grade and three by bridge, and generally follows Highway*
25 *Route 94 all the way to Yuma; and*

26 WHEREAS, Highway Route 94 is an important transportation
27 corridor, and has outstanding natural, cultural, historic, and scenic
28 qualities; and

29 WHEREAS, It is therefore appropriate to recognize a portion
30 of Highway Route 94 for its historical significance and importance
31 in the development of California and to designate that portion as
32 Historic Highway Route 94; now, therefore, be it

33 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
34 *thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the*
35 *portion of Highway Route 94 from the junction of Jamacha Road*
36 *in Rancho San Diego to the eastern terminus at the junction with*
37 *Historic Highway Route 80 in Boulevard as Historic Highway*
38 *Route 94; and be it further*

39 *Resolved, That the department is requested to determine the cost*
40 *of appropriate signs consistent with signing requirements for the*

1 state highway system showing the special Historic Highway Route
2 94 designation, and, upon receiving donations from nonstate
3 sources for that cost, to facilitate the erection of those signs at
4 appropriate locations on Highway Route 94; and be it further

5 *Resolved*, That the designation of Historic Highway Route 94
6 pursuant to this resolution shall have no impact upon the future
7 planning or development of adjacent private and public properties;
8 and be it further

9 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
10 of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author
11 for appropriate distribution.

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