Introduced by Senator Lara

February 20, 2014

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 84—Relative to the Signal Hill Police Officer Anthony "Tony" Giniewicz Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 84, as introduced, Lara. Signal Hill Police Officer Anthony "Tony" Giniewicz Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a specified portion of State Highway Route 405 in the County of Los Angeles as the Signal Hill Police Officer Anthony "Tony" Giniewicz Memorial Highway. This 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 those costs, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Of all the promises the United States offers, none
2 is more precious or elusive than the right to be free from crime
3 and violence; and
4 WHEREAS, The men and women of law enforcement have the
5 unenviable task of guaranteeing the public's safety, which is as
6 difficult and dangerous as it is important; and
7 WHEREAS, Californians are indebted every day to our peace
8 officers; we pay special tribute to peace officers' bravery and
9 dedication, and share in their pain, when one of their members is
10 killed in the line of duty; and
11 WHEREAS, Officer Anthony "Tony" Giniewicz faithfully
12 served the Signal Hill Police Department and the residents of the

1 City of Signal Hill as a police officer assigned to patrol operations;
2 and
3   WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz is remembered as a loving son
4 to his mother, Nellie Giniewicz; a caring father to his son Anthony,
5 his step-son John Peters, and his step-daughter Barbara
6 Crumbacker; and a thoughtful sibling to his sisters Paula Zwicker,
7 Linda Kravitz, Elaine Giniewicz, Christine Giniewicz, Diane
8 Racicot, and Laurie Wessels; and
9   WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz committed his life to his family
10 and friends, and his career to the City of Signal Hill and the safety
11 of its residents and fellow officers; and
12   WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz was loved by his friends and
13 coworkers, and had earned a reputation of caring deeply for his
14 partners and the public; and
15   WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz was shot in the line of duty by
16 three gang members while responding to a robbery in progress at
17 a restaurant in the City of Long Beach on February 19, 1985; and
18   WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz was paralyzed from the chest
19 down as a result of his wounds and remained in poor health until
20 passing away as a result of complications on December 7, 2011;
21 and
22   WHEREAS, In recognition of the hazardous work and serious
23 responsibility Officer Giniewicz willingly accepted, and the strong
24 commitment he demonstrated, during his three years as a law
25 enforcement officer, and his contributions and sacrifice in serving
26 and protecting the residents of the City of Signal Hill, it would be
27 a fitting tribute to designate a portion of State Highway Route 405,
28 in the County of Los Angeles, as the Signal Hill Police Officer
29 Anthony "Tony" Giniewicz Memorial Highway; now, therefore,
30 be it
31   *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
32 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates the
33 portion of State Highway Route 405 from Atlantic Avenue to
34 Cherry Avenue south, in the County of Los Angeles as the Signal
35 Hill Police Officer Anthony "Tony" Giniewicz Memorial Highway;
36 and be it further
37   *Resolved,* That the Department of Transportation is requested
38 to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent with the
39 signing requirements for the state highway system showing this
40 special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate

1 sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs; and be it
2 further
3   *Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
4 this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author
5 for appropriate distribution.
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8 **CORRECTIONS:**
9 **Text—Pages 2 and 3.**
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