

## Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 84

### RESOLUTION CHAPTER 89

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

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SCR 84, Lara. Signal Hill Police Officer Anthony “Tony” Giniewicz Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a specified portion of Interstate 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.

WHEREAS, Of all the promises the United States offers, none is more precious or elusive than the right to be free from crime and violence; and

WHEREAS, The men and women of law enforcement have the unenviable task of guaranteeing the public’s safety, which is as difficult and dangerous as it is important; and

WHEREAS, Californians are indebted every day to our peace officers; we pay special tribute to peace officers’ bravery and dedication, and share in their pain, when one of their members is killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Officer Anthony “Tony” Giniewicz faithfully served the Signal Hill Police Department and the residents of the City of Signal Hill as a police officer assigned to patrol operations; and

WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz is remembered as a loving son to his mother, Nellie Giniewicz; a caring father to his son Anthony, his step-son John Peters, and his step-daughter Barbara Crumbacker; and a thoughtful sibling to his sisters Paula Zwicker, Linda Kravitz, Elaine Giniewicz, Christine Giniewicz, Diane Racicot, and Laurie Wessels; and

WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz committed his life to his family and friends, and his career to the City of Signal Hill and the safety of its residents and fellow officers; and

WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz was loved by his friends and coworkers, and had earned a reputation of caring deeply for his partners and the public; and

WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz was shot in the line of duty by three gang members while responding to a robbery in progress at a restaurant in the City of Long Beach on February 19, 1985; and

WHEREAS, Officer Giniewicz was paralyzed from the chest down as a result of his wounds and remained in poor health until passing away as a result of complications on December 7, 2011; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of the hazardous work and serious responsibility Officer Giniewicz willingly accepted, and the strong commitment he demonstrated, during his three years as a law enforcement officer, and his contributions and sacrifice in serving and protecting the residents of the City of Signal Hill, it would be a fitting tribute to designate a portion of Interstate 405, in the County of Los Angeles, as the Signal Hill Police Officer Anthony “Tony” Giniewicz Memorial Highway; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of Interstate 405 from Atlantic Avenue to Cherry Avenue south, in the County of Los Angeles, as the Signal Hill Police Officer Anthony “Tony” Giniewicz Memorial Highway; and be it further

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

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.