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SCR-28 Fullerton Police Detective Tommy De La Rosa: Memorial Interchange. (2015-2016)

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 28

CHAPTER 128

Relative to the Fullerton Police Detective Tommy De La Rosa Memorial Interchange.

[Filed with Secretary of State July 22, 2015.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 28, Huff. Fullerton Police Detective Tommy De La Rosa: Memorial Interchange.

This measure would designate the interchange at Interstate 5 and State Highway Route 91 in the City of Fullerton as the "Fullerton Police Detective Tommy De La Rosa Memorial Interchange." The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost for appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal Committee: yes

WHEREAS, Fullerton Police Detective Tommy De La Rosa, at 43 years of age, paid the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Detective De La Rosa was born on May 12, 1947, and served his country during the Vietnam War while in the Marine Corps. Detective De La Rosa joined the Fullerton Police Department on September 26, 1980; and

WHEREAS, While off duty, Detective De La Rosa liked to speak with children from neighborhoods heavy with drugs, gangs, and prostitution and urge them to be good and stay in school; and

WHEREAS, On June 21, 1990, Detective De La Rosa was ambushed and shot five times during an undercover reverse sting narcotics operation, but, although gravely injured, was still able to return fire and fatally wound one of the suspects before succumbing to his injuries. Three other suspects were convicted of Detective De La Rosa's murder and were sentenced to life without parole; and

WHEREAS, Detective De La Rosa is survived by his wife and four children. The most important thing in Detective De La Rosa's life was his family; and

WHEREAS, Detective De La Rosa provided the public with exemplary service and dedication to his job throughout his nine-year career with the Fullerton Police Department; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to memorialize the service and sacrifice of Detective De La Rosa, by designating the interchange at Interstate 5 and State Highway Route 91 in the City of Fullerton in his honor; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the interchange at Interstate 5 and State Highway Route 91 in the City of Fullerton as the "Fullerton Police Detective Tommy De La

Rosa Memorial Interchange"; 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.