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**ACR-107 CHP Sergeant Steven L. Licon Memorial Highway.** (2019-2020)

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**Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 107**

**CHAPTER 36**

Relative to the CHP Sergeant Steven L. Licon Memorial Highway.

[ Filed with Secretary of State September 14, 2020. ]

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

ACR 107, Waldron. CHP Sergeant Steven L. Licon Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a specified portion of Interstate 15 near the City of Lake Elsinore in the County of Riverside as the CHP Sergeant Steven L. Licon Memorial Highway. The measure would request that the Department of Transportation determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, erect those signs.

Fiscal Committee: yes

WHEREAS, Steven Lawrence Licon was born July 5, 1965, in Palm Springs, California, and was the oldest of three children; Steve was raised in the community of Anaheim Hills, California, in the County of Orange and was a graduate of Canyon Hills High School; and

WHEREAS, Steve entered the California Highway Patrol Academy on August 20, 1990, as a cadet and successfully completed his academy training and was assigned to the CHP Santa Ana Area on January 10, 1991; while working, Steve continued his education at Rancho Santiago Community College; and

WHEREAS, Steve's genuine love for the job inspired him to continue training and to achieve his personal goals; he also quickly acclimated himself to the hectic pace of the Santa Ana CHP office and began training to ride an enforcement motorcycle; and

WHEREAS, Steve had a passion for riding motorcycles anywhere, dirt or street; on August 31, 1995, Steve successfully completed the CHP's Motorcycle Enforcement Training Program and became part of the Santa Ana CHP's Motor Squad; and

WHEREAS, Steve was a skilled rider and easily achieved the status of Certified Motorcycle Training Officer shortly thereafter; his riding skills were also put to good use when he became part of the Protective Services Detail that escorted dignitaries and officials from all over the world; and

WHEREAS, Steve's accolades did not just stop with motorcycles; he successfully completed Intermediate Accident Investigation courses, became a Drug Recognition Expert, a departmental range instructor, and a firearms inspector; and

WHEREAS, After 12 years on road patrol duties, Steve was promoted to Sergeant and reported to the CHP Baldwin Park Area on December 2, 2003; Steve continued his great work ethic and quickly became part of the Baldwin Park Motor Squad as a supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Steve was instrumental in recruiting motor riders and made positive contributions to the weapons unit at the CHP Baldwin Park Area; Steve was trained as a tactical supervisor and responded to numerous critical incidents throughout his career, assuming the role of incident commander; and

WHEREAS, After spending 10 years in the Baldwin Park area, Steve moved closer to home and transferred to the Riverside area on January 1, 2013; Steve assumed relatively the same supervisory duties as he had in Baldwin Park and held the esteemed title of "S-1," Senior Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Steve was instrumental in the new weapons transition team and was a supervisor with the Speed Enforcement Unit assigned to the CHP Inland Division; he was engaged in the community and was the detail leader for the area's community-oriented policing team; and

WHEREAS, Steve coordinated efforts to increase the department's public trust and respond to the needs of each community served by the CHP Riverside Area; Steve was also very dedicated to his troops and was a prominent member of the Riverside CHP office; and

WHEREAS, While performing the same call of duty he had for the last 28 years, riding a CHP motorcycle and protecting motorists on Interstate 15 near the City of Lake Elsinore, Steve's career ended on April 6, 2019, when he was struck and killed by a passing motorist as he was writing a traffic ticket; and

WHEREAS, Steve was extremely devoted to his family and loved them above all else; and

WHEREAS, Steve had a passion for riding motorcycles but also spent time with his family; whether it was hiking with them, being a loving father to his son, Nathan Licon, who passed away on August 26, 2012, his daughters Marissa and Kelly, and his son, Stephen Grillo, or a doting grandfather to his grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, CHP Sergeant Steven Lawrence Licon of the City of Perris in the County of Riverside was married for over 22 years to his wife, Ann; he will also be dearly missed by his mother, Helen, his father, Lawrence, his sister, Sonya, and his brother, Daniel; and

WHEREAS, CHP Sergeant Licon's family will remain a part of the CHP family; 74-S1, you will be dearly missed but never forgotten!; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of Interstate 15 from the junction at State Route 74 (postmile 22.277) to the crossing at Lake Street UC #56-682 (postmile 26.688) near the City of Lake Elsinore in the County of Riverside as the CHP Sergeant Steven L. Licon Memorial Highway to honor and commemorate his service to the community and to his family; 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 that cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

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