

Date of Hearing: September 11, 2015

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Jim Frazier, Chair

ACR 107 (Grove) – As Introduced September 2, 2015

SUBJECT: Bakersfield Police Officer David J. Nelson Memorial Bridge.

SUMMARY: Designates the Hosking Road interchange over State Route (SR) 99 in the City of Bakersfield as the “Bakersfield Police Officer David J. Nelson Memorial Bridge.” Specifically, **this resolution:**

- 1) Recounts the life and accomplishments of David J. Nelson, an officer of the Bakersfield Police Department.
- 2) Designates the Hosking Road interchange over SR 99 in the City of Bakersfield as the “Bakersfield Police Officer David J. Nelson Memorial Bridge.”
- 3) Requests that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing the special designation and, upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

EXISTING LAW: Assigns Caltrans the responsibility of operating and maintaining state highways. This includes the installation and maintenance of highway signs.

FISCAL EFFECT: Unknown, but the measure requests that Caltrans only erect the appropriate signage upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering the cost.

COMMENTS: Officer David J. Nelson graduated from the Kern County Law Enforcement Training Academy in June 2013 and was chosen as a defensive tactics instructor for the Bakersfield Police Department selected to mentor and train police officer trainees. On June 26, 2015, Officer Nelson gave chase to an armed and dangerous suspect likely planning to harm a citizen of Bakersfield and was killed in a vehicle accident. This resolution designating a portion of SR 99 in his honor acknowledges the significant contributions Officer Nelson made to his community.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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