

Date of Hearing: May 8, 2017

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Jim Frazier, Chair

ACR 70 (Salas) – As Introduced April 20, 2017

SUBJECT: Staff Sergeant Ricardo “Ricky” Barraza Memorial Highway

SUMMARY: Designates a portion of State Highway Route 43 (SR 43) in the City of Shafter as the “Staff Sergeant Ricardo “Ricky” Barraza Memorial Highway.” Specifically, **this resolution:**

- 1) Recounts the life and accomplishments of Ricardo “Ricky” Barraza, a staff sergeant in the United States Army.
- 2) Designates the portion of SR 43 between Fresno Avenue and East Los Angeles Street in the City of Shafter as the “Staff Sergeant Ricardo ‘Ricky’ Barraza Memorial Highway.”
- 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: Ricardo “Ricky” Barraza was a decorated seven-year veteran of the United States Army, attaining the rank of staff sergeant. Staff Sergeant Barraza was killed in action during his third deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom on March 18, 2006, at the age of 24. Staff Sergeant Barraza was survived by his parents, siblings, fiancée, and her daughter. This resolution designating a portion of SR 43 in his honor recognizes the sacrifice made by Staff Sergeant Barraza and the contributions he made to his community.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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