Date of Hearing: April 19, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION Laura Friedman, Chair ACR 27 (Gallagher) – As Amended April 6, 2021

SUBJECT: Farm-to-Fork Corridor

SUMMARY: Designates a portion of State Route 99 from post mile 20.400 at Eldrid Avenue near the community of Dairyville to post mile 24.529 near Arch Street in the City of Red Bluff in Tehama County as the "Farm-to-Fork Corridor."

EXISTING LAW: Assigns the Department of Transportation (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: In 2019, California's agricultural exports totaled \$21.7 billion, an increase of 3% from 2018. Top commodities for export included almonds, pistachios, dairy and dairy products, wine and walnuts. California's agricultural abundance includes more than 400 commodities. Over one-third of the country's vegetables and two-thirds of the country's fruits and nuts are grown in California. California's top-10 valued commodities for the 2019 crop were:

| Dairy Products, Milk: \$7.34 billion | |
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| Almonds: | \$6.09 billion |
| Grapes: | \$5.41 billion |
| Cattle and Calves: | \$3.06 billion |
| Strawberries: | \$2.22 billion |
| Pistachios: | \$1.94 billion |
| Lettuce: | \$1.82 billion |
| Walnuts: | \$1.29 billion |
| Floriculture: | \$1.22 billion |
| Tomatoes: | \$1.17 billion |

A significant portion of the world's high quality agricultural commodities and produce are derived from and transported through Northern California via State Route 99 (SR 99). SR 99 is a North–South state highway in California, stretching almost the entire length of the Central Valley. Residents and visitors of California often fail to recognize the source of their agricultural commodities, and the author intends for the "Farm-to-Fork Corridor" to remedy that.

ACR 27 would name a portion of State Route 99 from just past Eldrid Avenue near the town of Dairyville to Arch Street near the city of Red Bluff in the county of Tehama as the "Farm-to-Fork Corridor."

According to the author, "A significant portion of the world's high quality agricultural commodities and produce are derived from and transported through northern California via State

Route 99. ACR 27 recognizes those contributions and celebrates their continued cultivation and distribution."

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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