

Date of Hearing: July 8, 2019

**ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

Jim Frazier, Chair

SCR 11 (Chang) – As Introduced January 28, 2019

**SENATE VOTE:** 38-0

**SUBJECT:** Jack Tanaka Memorial Highway

**SUMMARY:** Designates a portion of State Route 60 in the City of Diamond Bar in Los Angeles County as the “Jack Tanaka Memorial Highway.” Specifically, **this bill:**

- 1) Recounts the life of former Mayor Jack Tanaka.
- 2) Designates the portion of State Route 60 between Lemon Avenue on the west to Golden Springs Drive on the east in the City of Diamond Bar in Los Angeles County as the “Jack Tanaka Memorial Highway.”
- 3) Requests that the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) determine the costs of erecting the 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 the costs, to erect the signs.

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

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

**COMMENTS:** Jack Tanaka was born in 1947. He served on the City Council for the City of Diamond Bar and was elected as the mayor in 2005, where he served two terms. He later served on the City of Diamond Bar Planning Commission as vice chairman for over three years. Before being elected to office, Jack Tanaka was a retired United States Army Sergeant and was a former peace officer with the California Youth Authority in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Jack is survived by his wife, Wanda, his mother, brother and three sisters.

According to the author, “Former Diamond Bar Mayor Jack Tanaka was an asset to the community and a role model for those he served. He served his country as an Army Sergeant before working as a peace officer with the California Youth Authority. From there he was elected to serve on the City Council before later serving as the Mayor. SCR 11 will dedicate a portion of State Route 60 in honor of all of Mayor Tanaka’s contributions to our community.”

**REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**Support**

Chaparral Middle School

Dirk Keck, Regional Commissioner, Diamond Bar AYSO Region 31

California Asian Pacific Chamber of Commerce (CalAsian)

Diamond Bar Community Foundation  
Walnut/Diamond Bar Sheriff's Booster Club  
Boy Scouts of America, Troop 730, Diamond Bar  
Diamond Canyon Christian Church  
13 individuals

**Opposition**

None on file

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