Date of Hearing: August 23, 2018

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION Jim Frazier, Chair SCR 111 (Leyva) – As Introduced March 5, 2018

SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: Douglas Stephen Franco Memorial Bridge

SUMMARY: Designates a bridge overcrossing in the City of Colton as the "Douglas Stephen Franco Memorial Bridge". Specifically, **this resolution**:

- 1) Recounts the life and career of Douglas Stephen Franco, who served as a transportation engineer in various capacities in the Inland Empire for more than 25 years.
- 2) Designates the Pepper Avenue overcrossing, Bridge Number 54-1324 EA 08-1E030, Post Mile 20.96, in the City of Colton as the "Douglas Stephen Franco Memorial Bridge".
- 3) Requests the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing each of these special designations, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, and, upon receiving donations from non-state sources sufficient to cover the cost of the signs for which the donations were made, to erect those 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: Douglas Stephen Franco began his career working as an engineer for Caltrans, launching more than 25 years of service dedicated to improving the quality of life for the residents of the Inland Empire through enhancing the transportation system. Mr. Franco also served with distinction as a resident engineer for projects conducted for the San Bernardino County Transportation Agency (SBCTA) between 1995 and 2017. Specifically, Mr. Franco made tremendous contributions to the San Bernardino Valley through major transportation improvements such as the Interstate 215 Widening Projects, the 5th Street Overcrossing, and the Interstate 10 and 210 Freeways. Mr. Franco passed away on June 12, 2017, at the age of 48.

Writing in support of the resolution, SBCTA notes that, "Doug's most recent project with SBCTA was the I-10 Pepper Interchange project which was nearing completion during Doug's untimely passing, making this resolution even more meaningful and important to our agency. He truly left a legacy of connecting communities in San Bernardino County."

Mr. Franco is remembered by his colleagues for his problem solving abilities, his willingness to listen and take action, and his quick wit and pleasant disposition.

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REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

San Bernardino County Transportation Agency Vali Cooper and Associates, Inc.

Opposition

None on file

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