

Date of Hearing: July 5, 2021

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
Laura Friedman, Chair
SCR 7 (Roth) – As Amended April 5, 2021

SENATE VOTE: 37-0

SUBJECT: CHP Officer Andre Maurice Moye, Jr. Memorial Freeway

SUMMARY: Designates the portion of State Highway Route 215 from the Eucalyptus Avenue overcrossing, number 56-757, at postmile R37.436 to the State Highway Route 60 junction separator, number 56-507R, at postmile R38.339 in the County of Riverside as the CHP Officer Andre Maurice Moye, Jr. Memorial Freeway.

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 determine the cost of appropriate signage consistent with requirements for the state highway system, and only erect the appropriate signage upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering the cost.

COMMENTS: Officer Andre Maurice Moye, Jr. was born on April 15, 1985, to Andre and Josefa, in Riverside, California. Officer Moye graduated from Valley View High School in 2003, and then graduated in 2009 from an Associated Builders and Contractors trade school. Officer Moye was an electrician at Technet Integrated Communications and Data prior to becoming a California Highway Patrol Officer.

Officer Moye married the love of his life, Sara, on August 27, 2016, and was excited to start a new chapter in his life. Officer Moye graduated from the California Highway Patrol Academy in 2017, and upon graduation was assigned to the Riverside area, where he served as a motor officer for two years and five months.

Officer Moye, badge number 21641, was killed in the line of duty on August 12, 2019, while conducting a vehicle impound during a traffic stop when the driver ambushed Officer Moye, shooting and killing him instantly, and another California Highway Patrol Officer, Robert Paul, who was also shot and bravely wounded. A shootout ensued between the suspect, the California Highway Patrol, the Riverside Police Department, and the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, and, ultimately, the suspect was struck by gunfire and succumbed to his injuries.

Officer Moye is survived by his wife, Sara, father, Andre, mother, Josefa, stepfather Richard, siblings, Lissette, Michael, Codie, and Corey, grandparents Joe, Jackie, and Shirley, nieces and nephews, Chloe, Annakin, Cameron, Psalm, Luke, and Sullivan, his in-laws Tom, Cindy, Lisa, Carlos, Mark, and several members of his extended family and friends.

Officer Moye was a hardworking, dedicated officer who loved his job and enjoyed the people he worked with. He was known for his contagious laugh, sense of humor, positive outlook, and amazing smile, and was a family man with a big heart.

In his spare time, Officer Moye enjoyed dirt bike riding, snowboarding, jet skiing, traveling, spending time with family and friends, and watching documentaries and Back to the Future movies, and he loved cars and the latest and greatest in technology.

In recognition of Officer Moye's great contributions and sacrifice in serving the California Highway Patrol and the citizens of California, it would be fitting to designate a portion of Route 215 in the County of Riverside in his honor.

According to the author, "California Highway Patrol Officer Andre Maurice Moye, Jr. was a beloved husband, son, and brother who was living out his lifelong dream of patrolling our great state as a motorcycle officer. Tragically, on the evening of August 12, 2019, Officer Moye was fatally shot while conducting a routine traffic stop when the driver grabbed an unlawfully assembled assault rifle and opened fire, mortally wounding Officer Moye. As a peace officer, Officer Moye dedicated his life to protecting our community and on that fateful day, he was taken too soon from our world doing just that. Officer Moye is remembered as the epitome of what every CHP Officer strives to embody - a dedicated and selfless public servant with a heart for the community. In honor of Officer Moye's ultimate sacrifice, SCR 7 designates a portion of Interstate 215, from Eucalyptus Avenue to Eastridge Avenue in the County of Riverside, as the CHP Officer Andre Maurice Moye, Jr. Memorial Freeway.

In support, the Association of Highway Patrolmen writes, "Since the inception of the CHP in 1929, we have lost approximately 232 officers to line of duty deaths. This is a very sad statistic, but recognizes the extreme danger these officers work under on a daily basis. SCR 7 will honor Officer Moye and pay tribute to the ultimate sacrifice he made for the citizens of our great State."

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

California Association of Highway Patrolmen
California Coalition of School Safety Professionals
California Professional Firefighters
Los Angeles School Police Officers Association
Palos Verdes Police Officers Association
Peace Officers Research Association of California (PORAC)
Riverside Sheriffs' Association
Santa Ana Police Officers Association

Opposition

None on file.

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