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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 25-1027**

101      **CONCERNING DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF COLORADO STATE**  
102              **HIGHWAY 1 FROM EAST COUNTY ROAD 60 TO INTERSTATE 25**  
103              **IN LARIMER COUNTY AS THE "COMMISSIONER LEW GAITER III**  
104              **MEMORIAL HIGHWAY".**

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1              WHEREAS, Commissioner Lewis "Lew" Leon Gaiter III was born  
2      to Sandra and Lew Gaiter Jr., in Denver, Colorado, on November 21,  
3      1959; and

4              WHEREAS, Commissioner Gaiter grew up in Littleton, Colorado,  
5      graduating from Littleton High School in 1977, and attended Colorado  
6      State University for two years before starting his career in the computer  
7      industry; and

8              WHEREAS, Commissioner Gaiter married his wife, Jeannette, on

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*Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

1 March 14, 1981, in Fort Collins, Colorado, going on to have nine  
2 children; and

3 WHEREAS, During his career as a software engineer,  
4 Commissioner Gaiter worked for companies, including Spectralogic,  
5 Hewlett-Packard, United Airlines, and Colorado State University and ran  
6 his own business, StarFire Enterprises; and

7 WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Larimer County,  
8 Commissioner Gaiter was first appointed as the Larimer County  
9 Commissioner representing District 1 in a vacancy election in January  
10 2010 and was elected to the same position in November 2010 and  
11 reelected in November 2014, going on to serve for eight years; and

12 WHEREAS, As a dedicated public servant, Commissioner Gaiter  
13 served as chair of the Larimer County Board of Commissioners and  
14 president of Colorado Counties, Inc., among many other roles; and

15 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gaiter was credited with promoting  
16 rural broadband access, helping to develop a five-year strategic plan, and  
17 supporting economic development work; and

18 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gaiter was an active member of the  
19 Loveland Volunteer Ski Patrol for twenty-five years and a passionate  
20 Denver Broncos fan and participated in the boards of various nonprofit  
21 organizations, including Christian Home Educators of Colorado and  
22 Realities for Children; and

23 WHEREAS, After a long battle with a rare blood cancer,  
24 Commissioner Gaiter passed away peacefully on September 18, 2018,  
25 with his wife, Jeannette, and other family members by his side; and

26 WHEREAS, Commissioner Gaiter is remembered as "a man of  
27 great dedication to his work, strong faith, integrity, and courage"; now,  
28 therefore,

29 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fifth*  
30 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

31 (1) That the portion of Colorado State Highway 1 in Larimer  
32 County from East County Road 60 to Interstate 25 be designated as the  
33 "Commissioner Lew Gaiter III Memorial Highway".

1           (2) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may accept  
2 and expend gifts, grants, and donations for the purpose of the initial  
3 placement of signs to mark the portion of Colorado State Highway 1 in  
4 Larimer County from East County Road 60 to Interstate 25 as the  
5 "Commissioner Lew Gaiter III Memorial Highway".

6           (3) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may explore  
7 a cooperative agreement with the Board of County Commissioners for  
8 Larimer County for the maintenance of the signs marking the  
9 "Commissioner Lew Gaiter III Memorial Highway".

10           *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
11 to Jeannette Gaiter, Sandra Gaiter, Jon Gaiter, Micah Gaiter, Elijah  
12 Gaiter, Sam Gaiter, Lewis Gaiter, Daniel Gaiter, Josiah Gaiter, Kim  
13 Kegu, and Lorenda Volker.