



HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 25-1027

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Weinberg and Pugliese, Armagost, Bacon, Barron, Bird, Boesenecker, Brooks, Brown, Caldwell, Carter, Clifford, DeGraaf, Duran, English, Espenosa, Froelich, Garcia, Garcia Sander, Hamrick, Hartsook, Jackson, Johnson, Joseph, Keltie, Lieder, Lindsay, Lindstedt, Lukens, Mabrey, Marshall, Mauro, McCormick, Paschal, Richardson, Rutinel, Rydin, Sirota, Soper, Stewart K., Stewart R., Story, Suckla, Taggart, Titone, Valdez, Willford, Winter T., Woodrow, Woog, Zokaie, McCluskie;

also SENATOR(S) Kirkmeyer, Amabile, Baisley, Ball, Bridges, Bright, Carson, Catlin, Cutter, Danielson, Daugherty, Exum, Frizell, Gonzales J., Hinrichsen, Jodeh, Kipp, Kolker, Liston, Lundeen, Marchman, Michaelson Jenet, Mullica, Pelton B., Pelton R., Rich, Roberts, Rodriguez, Simpson, Snyder, Sullivan, Wallace, Weissman, Winter F., Coleman.

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Commissioner Gaiter married his wife, Jeannette, on March 14, 1981, in Fort Collins, Colorado, going on to have nine children; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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