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STATE OF ALASKA
1989 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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REQUEST: FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date:
Title: An act designating Certain Hwy. Facilities as Memorials to
AK Veterans
Sponsor: Kelly
Requestor: Kelly

Agency Affected: DOT&PF
BRU: Maintenance & Operations

Components:

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

OPERATING	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
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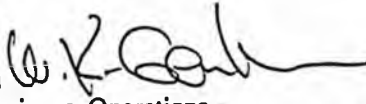
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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Division: Deputy Commissioner, Operations

Phone: 465-3900
Date: 1/25/89

Approved by Commissioner: 
Agency: Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

POSITION PAPER

BILL NO: SB37A

Certain Hwy. Facilities as Memorials

TITLE: to Alaska Veterans

APPROVED: Mark S. Hickey
Commissioner

DATE: January 25, 1989

Fiscal Note Analysis SB 37A

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Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

POSITION PAPER

BILL NO: SB37A

APPROVED: Mark S. Hickey
Commissioner

TITLE: Certain Highway Facilities as
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Northern Region:

Section 35.40.035(b): Renaming the Cushman Street Bridge to "Veterans Memorial Bridge of Flags" would require installation of 2 small signs or plaques, one at each end of the bridge. Estimated cost for all labor and materials is \$1,000.

Section 35.40.040: Renaming the Parks Highway from Airport Way to the Richardson Highway in Fairbanks to the "Robert J. Mitchell Expressway" would require replacement of 12 signs (208 s.f. of sign material) at an estimated cost of \$18,000.

This estimate is based on signing as "Mitchell Expy" (to insure a manageable sign size) and work would be done under a private sector contract to the M&O division.

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This renaming was originally proposed under SB-461 and underwent two years of vocal debate in the Fairbanks community, for and against. The Fairbanks City Council passed a resolution supporting the renaming and the Borough Assembly defeated a similar resolution.

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

Date of 5-DAY NOTICE Jan. 19, 1989
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM RULE 23

FURTHER FINANCE

**FISCAL NOTE(S) MUST BE ATTACHED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 24.08.035

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE _____

1/9/89

Mr. President:

TRSP Committee considered SB 37

designating certain highway facilities as memorials to Alaska veterans

and recommended:

- replace with CS SB 37 (Trsp) same title
- attached amendment(s) and new title
- _____ letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

FISCAL NOTE(S) attached zero
 appropriation no FN attached

fiscal impact
 Gov. FN introduced w/ bill

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

[Signature]
[Signature]

[Signature]
Chairman signature and recommendation

Committee backup attached

Original sponsor: Kelly

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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Alaska State Legislature

SENATE

Office of the President

P.O. Box V
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January 20, 1989

Senator Lloyd Jones, Chairman
Transportation Committee
Alaska State Senate
Box V
Juneau, Ak 99811

Re: Scheduling of SB 37, naming certain highway facilities as
veteran memorials.

Dear Senator Jones,

I would appreciate the scheduling of SB 37 for a
Transportation Committee hearing at your earliest convenience.
Attached is correspondence I recieved which initiated this
proposal. Also attached is some correspondence supporting the
bill.

Naming public works can sometimes become controversial,
not so much because there is objection to the person or
persons to be honored, but because other names may be desired
for the particular facility. In this case, I believe there is
broad support for memorializing veterans in the three cities
in this manner.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Kelly".

TIM KELLY
State Senator

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Charles T. Borg
Deputy Commissioner

FROM: Dr. Jack R. Shields, Director
Division of Veterans Affairs

DATE: 28 July 1988

SUBJECT: New designation for the following highways, roads
and bridges to honor Alaskan Veterans.

DISCUSSION:

As a lasting memorial and tribute to Alaska's 70,000 living Veterans, to those Alaskan Veterans who paid the supreme sacrifice and gave their lives in support of this Nation, and to those Veterans who continue to be missing-in-action, the following roads and bridges are redesignated:

a. In Anchorage:

That portion of the Glenn Highway from Airport Heights Road at Merrill Field to two miles beyond the overhead entrance to Fort Richardson is redesignated: "THE VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARKWAY."

b. In Fairbanks:

That portion of the Airport Way road from the airport to Fort Wainwright is redesignated: "THE VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARKWAY."

c. In Juneau:

The bridge crossing Gastineau Channel and known as the Douglas Bridge, is redesignated: "THE VETERANS' MEMORIAL BRIDGE."

1. This proposal is introduced to establish a permanent and significant memorial to Alaska's 70,000 Veterans, to all Alaskan Veterans who will subsequently reside in our Great Land and to those who may become Veterans as a result of their dedication to our principles of freedom. Veterans need memorials with high public visibility to maintain an awareness of the sacrifices of the few and to acknowledge

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Juneau - Douglas

this tribute. These memorials, in that sense, become educational. They denote our spirit of caring and remind our children of the struggle that has been made to maintain our way of life.

This redesignation of the specified locations will not have a negative effect on any location. Specifically, no persons' names are involved and no previous personalized dedication will be usurped.

2. There is no apparent reason that there would be any major opposition to this memorial. The Veterans' organizations are being polled to provide a solid Veterans' support. Additionally, it is planned to outline this proposal in the Vets' Forum (newsletter) to give it extensive exposure to comment.

3. There are an infinite number of locations that could be redesignated, but if this would become an option under consideration, the only viable course of action would be to designate other locations in addition to those specified.

4. The costs involved would be minimal and would be the expense of new signs and whatever administrative costs were involved.

5. Numerous other states have adopted similar terminology in establishing Veterans' memorials by redesignating highways, bridges, buildings, parks, tunnels, et al.

6. As with other major Veterans' issues, the legislative members who are Veterans themselves are most apt to be pro on these redesignations at Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau.

STATE OF ALASKA

STEVE COWPER, GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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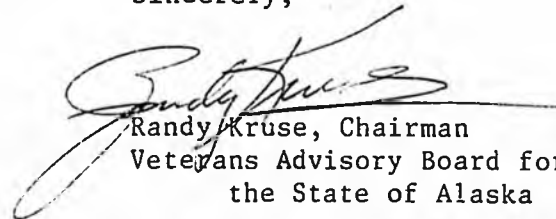
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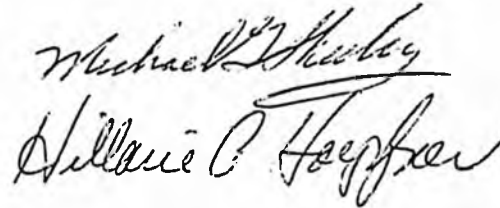
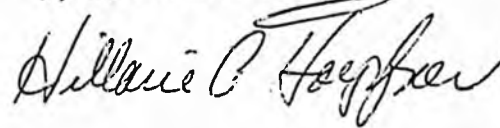
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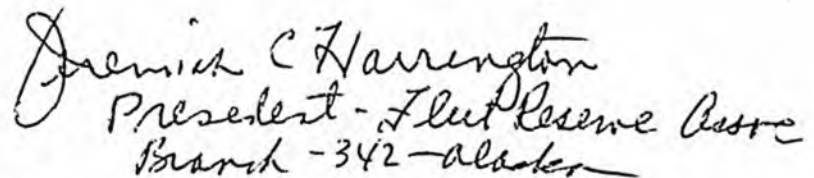
The Veteran's Advisory Board and the undersigned members unconditionally pledge support for Senate Bill 37 and would like to see recognition of this sort to honor our state's and all veterans.

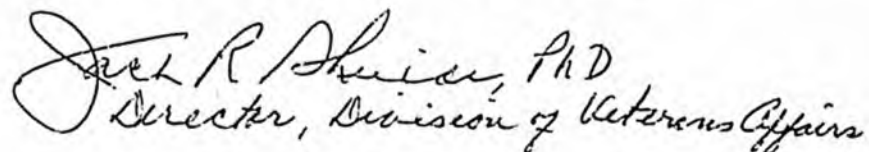
Sincerely,


Randy Kruse, Chairman
Veterans Advisory Board for
the State of Alaska


Michael L. Harty

William C. Hooper

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President - Fleet Reserve Assoc
Branch - 342 - Alaska


Jack R. Shivers, PhD
Director, Division of Veterans Affairs

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR KELLY

NAME: FREDDY PRIDE
TITLE:
ADDRESS: BOX 625
CITY: TOK ZIP: 99780
PHONE: 883-5590
BILL NO: SB 37
SUBJECT: HIGHWAY FACILITIES/VETERAN MEMORIALS
MESSAGE: I WANT THE ENTIRE GLENN HIGHWAY NAMED, NOT JUST A PORTION.

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR KELLY

NAME: TONY HOEPFNER
TITLE:
ADDRESS: HC 80, BOX 7225
CITY: CHUGIAK ZIP: 99567
PHONE: 249-1241
BILL NO: SB 37
SUBJECT: HIGHWAY FACILITIES/VETERAN MEMORIALS
MESSAGE: I WANT TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR SB 37.

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Veterans*

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: SENATOR KELLY

NAME: MASTER SGT. SALSBUY
TITLE: NATIONAL GUARD HISTORIANS
ADDRESS: 3601 C STREET #660
CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99503
PHONE: 249-1253
BILL NO: SB 37
SUBJECT: HIGHWAY FACILITIES/VETERAN MEMORIALS
MESSAGE: I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT SB 37, CONCERNING THE NAMING OF A VETERAN'S
MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. THIS WOULD HONOR THE VETERANS OF ALASKA WHO HAVE SERVED
IN THE WARS THE U.S. HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN.

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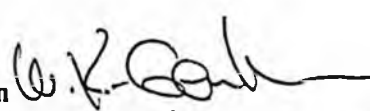
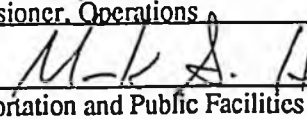
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