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Ref: House Bill 507 "An Act naming the Trooper Roelle Memorial Weigh Station and the Officer Wollam Memorial Bike Trail.

On July 9, 2001, Officer Justin T. Wollam, with the Anchorage Police Department was killed in the line of duty, after being struck head-on intentionally by a drunk driver that had been pursued by other officers.

Justin had worked five years with Anchorage Police, after moving here from Texas, where he also worked as a police officer. Justin was married to Kristy and had a four year old daughter, named Kristin.

Officer Justin Wollam was a young officer who loved being a police officer and had made Anchorage his choice to pursue his love of law enforcement. Justin touched the lives of co-workers, friends and anyone else who came in contact with him.

I ask that we not forget Officer Wollam and in naming the bike trail by where he died in honor of him, would be an honor for Officer Wollam, his co-workers, family and friends. It would show that we will not forget the sacrifice, bravery that Officer Wollam gave on July 9, 2001.

I will also be faxing some letter of reflections by fellow officers, friends and family members.

Thank you
 Cindy Pollitt
 (retired State Trooper)
 email mancubs004@aol.com

*Judy Oliver - Kott's
 Naming Bill - preservation
 Way Station / Bike Trail*

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The Officer Down Memorial Page remembers...

Patrol Officer Justin T. Wollam
Anchorage Police Department, AK



Reflections

Cause of Death: Vehicular assault
End of Watch: July 09, 2001
Date of Incident: July 09, 2001
Age: 28
Tour of Duty: 5 yr
Suspect Info: Killed in accident
Weapon Used: Automobile; Alcohol involved



Officer Wollam was killed when his cruiser was struck head-on by a vehicle being driven by a drunk driver. The vehicle had been spotted earlier by an officer who attempted to stop it because it was driving erratically. The vehicle sped off and was pursued by the officer. After the vehicle stopped several juveniles fled from it with officers in pursuit. Other juveniles who remained in the vehicle started to flee again and were followed by other officers from a distance. At approximately 0400 hours the vehicle crossed into opposing traffic on Glenn Highway where it struck Officer Wollam's cruiser. The driver of the vehicle and two occupants were also killed in the accident.

Officer Wollam had been with the agency for two years and had been in law enforcement for a total of five years. He was survived by his wife and 4-year-old daughter.

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Friends and Family Remember...

Patrol Officer Justin T. Wollam
Anchorage Police Department, AK

To the family and friends of Officer Wollam, Our thoughts and prayer go out to you.

My husband was also killed in line of duty when he was 27 and he also left our daughter when she was 4 and our son when he was 7, I know what your wife is going through right now, please take care of them from up in heaven and be always near them as the "angel" that you are now.

God Bless you always.

Terry Miyares
widow
Officer Emilio Miyares
Hialeah Police Dept, Florida
E.O.W. 11/6/86

Terry Miyares, officer's widow
Hialeah Police Dept.

You are not forgotten! We will continue to do the job in your honor and in memory of you and all who laid down their lives so that we could live in a civilized society. We are stronger because of you. Rest in peace.

PTLM. M.W. LUDLOW
PALMYRA POLICE DEPARTMENT, NJ

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I'm very sorry to hear about the tragic death of Officer Wollam. It is surprising how many people show complete disregard for the lives of others by drinking and driving. However, Officer Wollam's sacrifice inspires me even more to do all that I can to become a police officer and protect people from these tragedies just as he did.

"Greater love hath no man that this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13

I pray that his family, friends, and fellow officers find comfort through the hope that faith in the Lord always brings.

Anonymous

"I was that which others did not want to be. I went where others feared to go,

and did what others failed to do. I asked nothing from those who gave nothing, and, reluctantly excepted the fact of eternal loneliness ...should I fall. I have seen the face of terror and felt the stinging cold of fear. I have loved, cried, suffered, and hoped, but most of all, I have lived times others would say were "best forgotten". At least some day I will be able to say that I was proud of what I was - A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER!" (Source Unknown Author)

**Kelly
Des Moines, WA**

My families thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Our family lost Trooper Moen 2 weeks ago and nothing that we can say can ease your pain. May God be with you and your family.

Anonymous

To the Family, Relatives, Friends, and Colleagues of Officer Justin T. Wollam.

We were all saddened at the news of this officer making the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. Our sincere condolences go out to each of you and our prayers go up for you.

May god bless and keep you in His mighty arms,

Jack H. Lanier, Jr.
Chaplain, Longview Police Department (TX)

**Chaplain
Longview police Department (TX)**

* Officer Justin T. Wollam was an excellent officer. His smiling face was always welcome in dispatch.

Our thoughts and prayer are with his family in this time of grief.

**Louise Dunn, Dispatcher
Anchorage Police Department**

This case is a prime example of the fact that you need to ensure that when you put on that uniform your right with the world. The fact that so many times we don't "pre-think" our day only leaves me wondering what would happen if my life was taken in the line of duty without warning. So many officers have been taken these months its hard not to have a heavy heart. A piece of all of

us is gone forever. We only hope the lord above looks after us and those officers who have given the ultimate sacrifice watch over us in our daily battles. We are warriors of the modern ages. We live and die everyday. Our only hope is to make the difference in the communities that we have chosen to make our homes. The lucky ones make a difference in a lot of communities. To Justin, you will live within us. To the family and friends, know that you have our love.

**Patrol Officer Jonathan Terland
Fairbanks Police Department**

It is a great tragedy when an officer loses their life. It is extremely tragic when it is lost in a senseless act such as this. Officers Wollam's friends and family are in our thoughts and prayers.

**Deputy Steven D. Ray
Cochise County S.O Arizona**

Rest in peace Officer Wollam.

Anonymous

To Ofc. Wollam and his family,
You will be in our prayers. You have paid the ultimate price for those you will not. Go forth and patrol from your heavenly post. We will serve in your honor.
"UNA STAMUS"

**Ofc. B.C. Moore
Cobb County PD, GA**

My heart goes out to the department, friends, and family of this hero.

**Andy
Baltimore City Police**

God Bless you sir, and may you find peace. Please watch over your brothers and sisters in LE as they go about their everyday lives. They might not suffer the "ultimate sacrifice" as you have, but your watch will help. Thank you for "protecting and serving." You shall not be forgotten.

Anonymous

"Unable are the loved to die, for love is immortality"- (Emily Dickinson-1864)

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Justin,
How will we go on, now that you are gone?
You are no longer with us, so who responds when we ask for a 10-34?
The senseless way you were taken from us leads me to only one
conclusion...God needed a cover unit, and none better to answer the call.
The men and women of the Anchorage Police Department WILL go on, in
your honor! We do this knowing that we have a long, tall, Texas angel on our
shoulders.
You will remain in our hearts always.
Rick and Anita

**Sergeant Rick & Anita Shell
Anchorage Police Department**

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Dear Officer Wollam,

Many thanks for serving us in Anchorage. And, inasmuch as you had to
surrender your life, know that you go to God having certainly saved many
more from this reckless delinquent.

Your life and service was not in vain.

**Alan Cleveland
Alaska Visitor's Network**

MY Son was Killed on Duty one Year ago Yesterday. He left Three Babies
and a Wife behind. So all of us here know the Terrible feeling. Justin was
young like my son. What a Shame to die so young. We will say Prayers for
you. Being a Policeman is like being a Soldier in a War zone! You never know
when its your Time to go. 75 have died so far this Year. They are all in the
Hands of God now. Kenny

**Deputy Sheriff Kenny Hetrick
Ottawa county Sheriffs Dept**

You died a hero. You lived as a hero, to your co-workers, your wife and your
child. We will carry on in your absence. Knowing that you are now a Guardian
Angel to all or your LE Brothers and Sisters is some comfort. Rest in Peace
Brother.

**Inspector Tim Huff
US Customs**

To the family & friends of Justin:
May you find comfort in the love and friendship that surrounds you. My son

and I will be saying a special prayer for you.

Hugs and love, Jodi

**Jodi
Honolulu Police Department**

I am so sorry for your loss. It is to far for me to travel but I have been to Anchorage and found it a beautifull place.

If I can assit you in any way please contact me.

Again, I give you my most sincere condolences. It is toUGH when one of us can no longer answer roll call.

Terry

**T Bacus
Columbus**

* We will miss your willingness to help and to learn. Thanks for the chance to work with you.
You are not forgotten.

**Det. Scott Jessen
Anchorage Police**

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY MY BROTHER YOUR TOUR HAS ENDED, MAY YOU KNOW WATCH OVER THE REST OF US TO KEEP THE DEMONS AWAY! YOUR IN A BETTER PLACE, YOU DID WHAT OTHERS FEAR TO DO AND DID IT WITH PRIDE!

* Justin was a hard worker, and good at being a cop. He was not heavy-handed, badge-heavy, nor a coward. He was easy to get along with, easy to talk to, never complained at work, and always handled more than his share. Justin would back up officers without being asked. To Justin's family, I'm so sorry for your/ our loss. He will be sorely missed, and never forgotten.

Psalms 34:15-18

"The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous, and His ears are open to their cry. The face of the Lord is against evildoers, to cut off the memory of them from the earth. The righteous cry and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

With tears, we bid you good-bye, until we meet again.

Your friends, Brett & Carol Sarber

**Patrol Officer Brett Sarber
Anchorage Police Department**

To another fallen brother...rest in peace and remember you are now patrolling the streets of heaven with your fellow brothers who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

God Bless Family and Friends of Officer Justin T. Wollam.

**Ptd. Matt Morton
Traverse City Police Department, Traverse City, Michigan**

Justin,

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Your enduring smile, warm heart and Texan gait will never be forgotten. God had a reason for taking you that will always be beyond our understanding, but I like Rick's sentiment, God must have needed a 34, cozle. God speed my brother.

**OFC Mike Raleigh
Anchorage Police Dept.**

Mrs. Wollam,

We are forever indebted for the great sacrifice that Justin made. May the Lord forever bless and keep your family and loved ones.

"SEMPER FIDELIS"

**Officer Allen
DOD, NDW**

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It is not fair that a husband/father of his quality was taken away from those who love him by an intoxicated, delinquent teenager. I pray that Justin's wife and child can overcome the grief from this horrible incident and move on with the hope of seeing him again someday in a better place.

Our prayers are with you Justin and family.

**Officer Rob Lund
Anchorage Police Dept.**

Mere words cannot express my true feelings right now. I have been involved with way too many 'Officer Killed' funerals. They take their toll on us all. This senseless act has resulted in four needless deaths, the hardest (in my eyes)

is that of our brother, Justin.

* Justin is the youngest to have given his life at our department. The true story of this incident is gut wrenching - but the shortened version is that the young adult driver INTENTIONALLY drove at Justin's vehicle. This was NO accident.

To the Wollam family - my deepest regards and heartfelt sadness are the feelings that I share with you. Know that Justin will never be forgotten, that his wife and child will be part of 'our family' forever. My prayers, and those of my family are with you one and all. Get close to your family. and believe in the strength of God as you begin the journey of grieving and healing.

Justin, rest in peace our brother!

Sgt Paul Honeman and Family
APD

Sergeant Paul Honeman
Anchorage Police Department

I wish to say this officer is also a hero, a man who took the risks to make society safer, and in the progress, may have saved another life, with his own....God surely holds you tightly now, and He never forgets those whom mourn your loss, he will strengthen those who ask, and He too grieves, America grieves...we will NEVER FORGET!

Rest in peace comrade, a job well done....

Scott Parker
Former Harris County Deputy Constable

* Justin

The citizens of Anchorage may never know how much of a difference you made out there but those who knew you understands the void that is left with your passing. Every day you put on the uniform you realized that this could be your last day but that never affected the way that you conducted yourself and the professional way you handled your calls. I will cherish the times we worked together in Eagle River.

Kristy and Kristin having lost a father at the age of 13 I know first hand the void that is left in your hearts, eventually the pain will fade and will be replaced with fond memories of the kind of person Justin was as a husband and as a father, Kristin your daddy was a true hero may you never lose those memories. You are forever a part of the APD family and we will be there for you.

You, Lord, are my shepherd. I will never be in need. You let me rest in fields of green grass. You lead me to streams of peaceful water, and you refresh my life. You are true to your name, and you lead me along the right paths. I may walk through valleys as dark as death, but I won't be afraid. You are with me, and your shepherd's rod makes me feel safe. You treat me to a feast, while my enemies watch. You honor me as your guest, and you fill my cup

until it overflows. Your kindness and love will always be with me each day of my life, and I will live forever in your house, Lord. Psalm 23

Justin you will be with me each day of my life. Goodbye brother.

**Patrol Officer Kevin R Armstrong
Anchorage Police Department**

Are thoughts are with you we just lost an deputy on Saturday. It is tuff to deal with ill

**Deputy Brent Martin
Morgan Co. Sheriff Indiana**

Justin, I didn't know you and yet I still feel a great loss from our family in law enforcement. I worked for the Anchorage Police Department briefly and it truly is a great family that suffered a great loss by your death. I believe now you are patrolling the best beat a cop can have.

Farewell, Officer Shaun Henry San Diego Police

**Officer Shaun P. Henry
San Diego Police Department**

* Justin was a caring, compassionate person and loving husband and father. He will be missed forever by his family. When my daughter Kristy and Justin decided to marry, I told her I couldn't have picked a better son-in-law. I loved Justin as a son. He left behind a beautiful daughter, Kristin who is like him in many ways. I thank God for giving us Justin, and Justin for giving us Kristin. Justin, we will watch after Kristy and Kristin. As you watch over us from Heaven, know you are in our every thought. We love you.

Charles Cash, civilian (Justin's Father-

* WELL JUSTIN, WE MISS YOU BUD. I MISS THE DAYS OF YOU AND I FIGHTING WITH ROBERT AND RUSSELL WHEN WE WERE YOUNG WHILE STAYING WITH OUR GRANPARENTS FOR THE SUMMER. I WILL FOREVER CHERISH THE MEMORIES THAT I HAVE OF YOU. COMING DALLAS AND RIDEALONGS WITH ME. YOU AND I GETTING LOST LOOKING FOR WHERE BONNIE AND CLYDE WERE BURIED. HAVING JENNIFER AND KRISTI WAIT IN THE VAN IN A NOT SO NICE PART OF TOWN. BOY WERE THEY HOT. YOUR DRIVE AND DETERMINATION HAS INSPIRED ME..SENSELESS ACTS HAVE TAKEN YOU FROM US AND I WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND WHY. OUR HEARTS ARE BROKEN. HEARTS MEND, BUT, WE WILL FOREVER BEAR SCARS OF A BROKEN HEART TO SERVE AS A REMINDER OF YOU. THANKS FOR ALL THE GOOD YOU BROUGHT INTO THIS WORLD. IF ONLY WE HAD ONE MORE DAY WITH YOU. I GUESS I ALWAYS THOUGHT I KNEW ALOT, BUT YOU KNOW ONE THING I DON'T. WHAT HEAVEN LOOKS LIKE. SEE YOU WHEN I

GET THERE..LOVE YA!!!!!!

YOUR COUSIN
JAMES

**JAMES EASTERLING
ADDISON POLICE DEPT**

* What kind of Officer do you want to come to your call for help?
 * What kind of Officer do you want to wear your department's uniform?
 * What kind of officer do you want to arrive as your "back-up?"
 * What kind of Officer should we all strive to be like?
 Justin T. Wollam. 6'4" tall, lean, strong, and technically and tactically proficient. Justin was always quick to smile and see the light and humor in any situation, but was compassionate and understanding with every complainant and victim he came in contact with. Justin had developed a command presence and confident bearing that let everyone around him know that he was "now in control" of whatever situation he was involved with. Justin could quickly assess any situation he got into, make a plan, and solve the problem at hand.
 A.P.D. lost one of our finest. A better partner and friend I could never find. I miss that Texas "drawl", and big "cheesy" grin. Rest easy, Justin, and handle the call GOD dispatched you to. We all will 10-34 you from down here, and make sure KRISTY and KRISTIN are safe.

**Jared McKay
Anchorage P.D.**

* This community lost a dedicated officer and I lost a great friend. Justin, the only comfort I find in any of this is that you are "on the job" in a much better place, watching over each and every one of us. While I find it impossible not to grieve your death, I shall strive to celebrate your life with us, for you made a lasting impression on those around you.

To a great friend, a wonderful husband, an outstanding daddy and a true hero.....I will never forget you and shall one day be proud to stand by your side again.

**Ofc. Ryan Rockom
Anchorage Police Department**

**Officer Ryan Rockom
Anchorage Police Department**

Brother I will keep you in my memories. It is so tragic that the Lord is always calling us one after another. We chose this job knowing its dangers. It is a thankless job only your fellow brothers and sisters can understand. But, you will never be forgotten. May god bless you and your family, and may he watch over your wife and daughter.

**Deputy Sheriff
Seminole County Sheriff's Office FL.**

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On behalf of the Fraternal Order of Police, our deepest heartfelt condolences on this tragic loss. We will never forget your dedication, bravery and ultimate sacrifice in protection our Nation, and your communtiy. This service was not in vain, for it displayed uncommon valor in this collective effort to make our nation free from the evil that exists in our world today.

"The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name will trust in you, for you Lord have never forsaken those who seek you." Psalm 9:9-10

John D. Sainz
Tucson Police Department

I'm so sorry for the tragic and sudden death of your husband. I know you are very proud to have been married to such a wonderful man. My husband was a police officer too, he loved his job so much. He wasn't killed in the line of duty, he died from cancer. It was a horrible battle we faced, and unfortunately his body could not take anymore. I hope that you are doing ok, I know it's the hardest thing you have ever been through. Be strong and safe and take care of yourself.

Deanna
Young Widows

Wife of Corporal John Pursley #11
Bay Saint Louis Police Department

Justin,

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It was with heavy hearts and many tears that my family bid you farewell one month ago. Our ray of hope has been your faith in Christ. Another has been the assurance we have that we will see you again one day. As a result of your faith, our 5 year old son accepted Jesus' gift of salvation. After watching your funeral service on t.v., he decided that he would like to meet you one day, in a far better place. Hopefully, your ultimate sacrifice will bring others to embrace the faith you lived out in your life.

"Thank you," from a grateful mother and citizen. I will never forget you and I promise to stand by Kristy and Kristin as long as I live.

Cheri Chavers
APD Officer's Wife

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Justin,

Sweetheart, I miss you terribly and try day by day to get through my life without you. My mind is constantly thinking of you and my heart breaks everytime I am shocked into the realization that you are gone. Thank you for all the beautiful memories of our life together, and more importantly, thank you for our beautiful daughter! I promise to try to make every dream you had for her come true.

X Until we meet again and you can once again wrap me in your arms...
All of my love FOREVER,
Kristy

Kristy Wollam
Justin's Wife

X I don't remember a time when I didn't know Justin. Growing up in the small town of Danbury, Texas, we were always friends. We shared crayons the first day of kindergarten, and I was there the day he left Texas for Alaska. I don't think Justin ever really knew how deeply he touched everyone he came in contact with. Anyone who ever spent time around Justin can tell you they're a much better person for having known him.

Justin was also a truly dedicated husband and father, something truly rare in this day and age. His love for Kristy and Kristen was always evident and undeniable. I know that much of the love I try to show my wife every day was learned from Justin's shining example. I only hope I can be half the father he was.

Justin, I miss you every day and I can't wait to see you again. In the end, the most important thing I know is that you always have been, and always will be my friend.

Robert P. Hanson

X God looked around his Garden and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon his earth and saw your loving face.
He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest.
His Garden must be beautiful, he always takes the best.
You've left us precious memories, your love will be our guide.
You live on through your child, you're always by our side.
It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you on the day God called you home.

With this, I send my love and prayers for you and your family.

Trish Buddner

X Hey Justin - I'm sorry we haven't seen each other in so long. This thing called life took each of us on separate journeys. My hope to see you again in this life has past. I'm so sorry it took you leaving us for me to finally meet Kristy and Kristin. Your little girl reminds me so much of you. I keep thinking about that summer day we went to San Antonio and New Braunfels - just you and me, no adults! We always had such fun whenever the family would all get together. And I haven't forgotten getting you into that Police Academy movie when you were WAY too young for an R-movie - but you loved hanging out with the "older kids." In the last month, I've made a point of saying "thank you" to any police officer I see. You'd love it! They all give me this funny look when I walk up to them, that little supscious look I think all police officers have. I hold out my hand, introduce myself, and tell each one "Thank you for all that you do in protecting me and the city." When the officer(s) hears that, I think

* they're surprised. I explain why I'm saying thank you - that our family lost you recently and that you were the type of officer that they would want to work with and have at their side and that all police officers should be told "thank you" by those they protect. I can tell that they're touched and appreciate my word of thanks. I'm going to keep doing it, Justin. Go with God, bud. I look forward to seeing you again in a better place. We'll miss you always. Your cousin, Barbra

Barbra Kamer (civilian)

* Justin,
you were the best man in my wedding, my husband's best friend, you saved me from the monsters at the haunted house in Houston, you laughed at me when I won that big ugly hat at AstroWorld. There are too many memories to list but I am gonna miss you dearly. I know I will see you again and we will have many more memories to make together. I will be praying for Kristy and Kristen everyday.

forever friends
sara keenom

sara

* Dear Justin,
When I got that phone call from Texas I didn't understand how something so awful could happen to someone who is so loved. We have watched you grow up by pictures, letters and long phone calls. Of course your visit to Md was great, but our visit to Texas was unforgettable. You and Beverly fought from the time we left the airport to the time we went back, boy what a week you and Beverly had. Then you both cried when we left. Oh, you kids. I'll be in Texas in a few weeks, so I'll visit you. Mom and I have been friends for almost 40 years, so I'll keep a good watch out for her. We talk a lot these days. You and my Beverly just grew up so fast. We will always remember you and think of all the good times our family has had. We love you.

Aunt Elsie, Beverly and Family

Hey TEXAS SLIM, aka: JUSTIN

miss you.
I am not good on writing a message, I would rather talk to you in person, so I will say to you, can't wait to see you.

love always,
lj
back home in TEXAS.

**Patrol/ Laura Jo
Angleton Police Department/TEXAS**

Dear Justin,

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This is your Mom. You were such a pleasure to your dad and me for 28 years. You know if your Dad or me could have taken your place and died for you we would have done it. But it was Gods will for you to join h m in heaven. Your dad and I will talk about funny things you did when you were little. Like the time we had to make a sudden stop by the road coming from the mall, (That is our secret, huh son) and how we would go out to eat you would always order the most expensive thing. Your brother Russell would always say "Justin that's too expensive" but you would order it anyway. You know son; I wouldn't have it any other way. The one thing I'll miss most of all is when we talk on the phone; the last thing you would always say to me is "I love you Momma". Son your Dad and I will always have an empty place in our hearts not having you here with us. I know you are in Gods hands and He is taking care of everything.

We Love You and We Miss You,

Momma and Daddy

PS. I've learned to make chicken and dumplings, but they're not as good as Ma-Maw's

Beverly Wollam
Justin's Mother

Not all heros live in New York. You are missed by all in Anchorage.

Anonymous

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Justin, its been seven months since that fatefull night in July and we miss you as much today as we did then. Things are changing left and right here at APD with people retiring and resigning and new guys coming on, we always make sure we tell the new guys about you and what a great guy you are. Kristin and Kristy seem to be holding up real well its great that they have the family out here and they will always be a part of the APD family. Well buddy guess Ill close for now and get ready for work, I know you are watching over us from above and we all appreciate that. Untill we meet again my friend.

Anonymous

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Justin

Well its come to a close I guess...the people responsible for providing the alcohol to the teens that were in the accident with you got the maximum sentence, which still isnt enough in my oplnion. This will hopefully bring relief to Kristy and Kristin and your family and friends. Hopefully "Justins Law" with pass all the legal hurdles it has awaiting and when in effec: will keep this from happening again. Well my friend, rest easy and well meet again someday.

Anonymous

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Utermohle
3/19/02

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 507()

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY

**Offered:
Referred:**

Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act naming the Trooper Roelle Memorial Weigh Station, the Officer Wollam
2 Memorial Bike Trail, and the Sergeant James Bondsteel Bridge of Honor; and providing
3 for an effective date."

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 * **Section 1.** AS 35.40 is amended by adding new sections to read:

6 **Sec. 35.40.150. Trooper Hans-Peter Lothar Roelle Memorial Weigh**
7 **Station.** The northbound weigh station at mile 10.6 of the Glenn Highway is named
8 the Trooper Hans-Peter Lothar Roelle Memorial Weigh Station.

9 **Sec. 35.40.155. Officer Wollam Memorial Bike Trail.** The Glenn Highway
10 bike trail is named the Officer Wollam Memorial Bike Trail.

11 **Sec. 35.40.160. Sergeant James Bondsteel Bridge of Honor.** Bridge
12 number 1121, across the Knik River in this state, is names the Sergeant James
13 Bondsteel Bridge of Honor.

14 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

ATTN: JUDY OHMER

Dear Representative Pete Kott,

I want to explain to you why the weigh station on the Glenn highway should be named the Hans Roelle Memorial Glenn Scales after my Papa. He helped me on the computer e-mail and games. (since I didn't understand what I needed to do) He also helped me spell out the words, so I learned something too. He went to my classroom and helped us listen to the teacher. It was fun to see him there watching me at school on his days off. When I was in kindergarden my teacher really liked talking with him. We had lots of fun! He would take me home for lunch and take me back to school. Then we made lots of hearts and counted by 2's and wrote it on the hearts. Then we glued the hearts onto the string, then we noticed it was time for snack. After snack we went home, it was fun when my dad and I got home and we watched a movie. We had popcorn too. It was fun! It was time after the movie to pick up my brother and sister from school. My mom came home later and we had dinner. Then we went to bed, and they said goodnight and hugged us. This was only one of the wonderful days I spent with my papa. He was a wonderful man to everyone and he was very kind and thoughtful. I want this bill to be passed so others can honor my papa the way he deserves to. He would take us places like, our school for sledging, parks for playing, and the mall and imaginarium, plus all sorts of cool places. He wanted to make everyone as happy as they could be to his ability, he was very loving. I want my daddy to be remembered not just as a hero to the people who know of the tragedy, but to anyone who passes the glenn highway weigh station. Please pass the bill, I want to see my papa being honored the way he deserves. Because I love him very very very very very very, etc. much. Thank you!

Please pass for my papa,
Rachel (Rae) C. Roelle (age 7)

Subject: Hans Roelle Memorial Glenn Scales

Date: Wed, 20 Mar 2002 15:02:41 -0800 (PST)

From: Chris Roelle <chrisroelle2002@yahoo.com>

To: Representative_Pete_Kott@legis.state.ak.us

Dear Representative Pete Kott,

I write to you so I can explain why the weigh station on the Glenn highway should be named the Hans Roelle Memorial Glenn Scales. My father served the Alaska State Troopers for almost 18 years and I believe he should be honored for his long service to Alaska. He was not only a wonderful trooper to the state, but a loving friend and father. My dad was the most helpful man I know. He would always help someone who needed him. For instance every night after cooking us dinner he would take time out of HIS relaxing after work to help me with my math. Plus in November before he passed away he would take us sledding almost every night after dinner, while mom did house cleaning. He loved doing stuff with others, although he loved his computer. Like last summer he coached my soccer team, we were called the "FLAMES". We were the best team in the Boys and Girls club U-12 girl soccer. We were undefeated the entire season and were only scored on 3 times! People complained we were too hard on other teams and we should go to comp soccer. But my dad didn't want us to try hard to win and be aggressive, he just wanted us to have fun. But we wanted to win and have fun, and my dad taught us how. Actually we didn't really practice at our soccer practices, we'd just pull out super soakers, water balloons, and silly string for fun fights that would make you laugh for a lifetime. But when we played we got out there and did our best, just the way dad wanted us to. My dad was like a second father to those other 17 girls on my team, they are all suffering like me to loose him. We are all proud of what he taught us that season. When you felt down or afraid about something you could always count on him to be there right when you needed him the most. Everyone who knew him always loved his laugh, it would make a frowning face into a glittering smile so you could laugh too. My dad wasn't uptight or adult like. He acted just like a little kid, that's why we loved to play with him. He would always wrestle with us, but not like fighting, we'd usually just have a tickle war. I believe that he deserves a memorial for what he did for all of us. We don't ever want to forget him and we want all to know what a wonderful man he was. I hope you except the bill, it would make me very proud to know how much others care about my dad.

Hope to help,

Ariel C. Roelle (age
11) ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

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Subject: Hans Roelle Memorial

Date: Tue, 19 Mar 2002 21:23:02 -0800

From: "Evelyn Chase" <setnet@cyberlynx.ak.net>

To: <Representative_Pete_Kott@legis.state.ak.us>

Dear Representative Kott,

I am writing to you today because I support changing the name of the Glenn Highway weigh station in honor of Officer Roelle. While at his funeral I expected to see many officers in uniform, but was very surprised when the service ended and the ABT parking lot was packed with eighteen wheelers and work trucks. Hans made an impact on many lives and it was heartwarming to witness. So I just would like you to know that changing the name to Hans Roelle Weigh Station or some thing like that is supported by my family. We to reside in Chugiak/Eagle River area. Thank you for your time. Evelyn and Brad Chase

Subject: Trooper Hans Roelle Memorial

Date: Wed, 20 Mar 2002 22:28:13 -0800

From: "DCAIKEN" <DCAIKEN@email.msn.com>

To: <Representative_Pete_Kott@legis.state.ak.us>

Dear Representative Kott:

Trooper Hans Peter Roelle was my dearest friend for more than thirty years. Hans and I became inseparable from the moment we met in the fifth grade. Over the years our friendship grew to be closer than that of brothers. Hans was always committed to what is right. It was this commitment that led him to join the state troopers in their quest to fight for good over evil.

Hans' commitment led him to pay the ultimate price of giving his life for the sake of others. This is truly an example of unquestionable love of mankind and heroism.

Your support of the proposed "Hans Peter Roelle memorial at Glen Scales" is important to preserve the memory of Hans and to remind us all what is "true love" and "commitment to good."

In memory of my dearest friend, I bid you my kindest regards,

Dana Charles Aiken

Subject: Scales/Glenn Hwy/rename Hans Rolle

Date: Wed, 20 Mar 2002 19:06:25 -0900

From: Michael Duxbury <michael_duxbury@dps.state.ak.us>

Organization: Department of Public Safety

To: Representative_Pete_Kott@legis.state.ak.us

Dear Rep. Mr. Kott.

I worked with Hans in Palmer on his shift. We were similar in age, I enjoyed his friendship. He often discussed how he could impart some learned experience on to the younger members of our brotherhood.

Your first experience with Hans would have been a smile and a friendly manner when you met him. Of course, as in the circumstance of his death, the immediateness of danger would have delayed these initial pleasantries but if we had won that day, he would have bestowed at the very least a sense of fair minded non judgmental kindness on the man anyway, as he always did in his daily work life.

Hans's sense of irony and his laugh would greet you from the get go. Pretty soon you were aware that you were engaging an extremely intelligent and eclectic man who's creed was evident and broadcasted his love of life and people.

Hans was proud of his German heritage. He was an Alaskan, fiercely proud of serving the public and doing his job the best he could. He believed in the words as they pertained to troopers <<< The Department of Public Safety. >>>

Hans dealt in Honor when working with the public. Hans acted with Courage and he achieved the goals of this state for the people and the department with a sense of Humility.

In this respect his leadership for younger troopers will be sorely missed. Hans provided a mentioning spirit.

Renaming the Glenn Highway out of Hans Rolle's name would be a great, uplifting and reassuring thing, for his young family and for those who have felt and recognized this loss.

It would symbolize that Hans Rolle's efforts to be the best he could be although he met with a courageous and tragic demise is recognized. Hans Rolle's name is synonymous with PUBLIC SAFETY and the pride we as protectors feel for our home, neighbors and families.

Please urge other members to pass this bill.

Sincerely; Michael W. Duxbury
Alaskan
Member of the Department of Public Safety
Brother Trooper
Business Owner

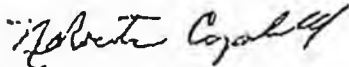
From: Roberta J. Cogdell
18335 Kantishna Dr
Eagle River, Ak 99577
Phone 694-9471 home 428-7200 work

Ref: Bill for Trp Hans Roclle Memorial Glenn Scales

To: Rep. Pete Kott

Attn: Judy

I have been a Dispatcher with DPS from 1972. I worked with Hans Roclle and have gotten to know his family since his death. Trp Roclle was a dedicated trooper and a devoted father and husband. He was able to balanced family and his career. It did not matter when I called his house to call him out on a commercial accident he was also pleasant and understanding and answered all the questions or would call back with an answer. I was lucky to be able to work with him when he returned to patrol and he always made you laugh or made you feel better no matter what type of day you were having. He was a great story teller and I loved to hear stories about his family. To have the Glenn Scales re-named for him and be able to see his name and remember him and the good times working with him would mean so much to his family and everybody that worked with him. Thank you for your support.


Roberta Cogdell

Subject: Hans Roelle Memorial

Date: Wed, 20 Mar 2002 12:04:46 -0900

From: Lee Aiken <laiken@emeraldalaska.com>

To: "kott@legis.state.ak.us" <kott@legis.statc.ak.us>

Your Honorable Mr. Pete Kott:

I am writing to lend my support for the effort underway to memorialize the valiant attempt by Hans to rescue the children tragically taken a few months ago.

Beyond the fact that I've known Hans for most of his time in Alaska, I feel this is a good opportunity to recognize the many officers put in harms way daily over "domestic violence" situations. I don't think the general public realizes this growing problem for it's trag.c affects.

I know the family, the friends and coworkers that knew Hans would appreciate a place to reflect as well. He was a hero in life and in his death and should be honored as such.

Thank You Sincerely,

Lee Aiken

March 20, 2002

To: Representative Pete Kott,
Juneau, Alaska

Attn: Judy Ohmer
Juneau, Alaska

From: Helen Jones
7551 E. 20th Ave.
Anchorage, Alaska, 99504

Subject: - Way Station Name Change -
To Hans Roelle Memorial Glenn Scales

I highly recommend the name change of this Scales Station. Hans loved trucks. He was instrumental in the development of The Commercial Vehicles Department with the troopers, where he worked for 8 years.

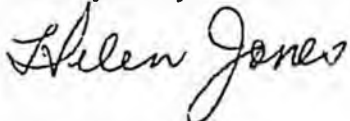
Hans was my son-in-law, and a fine caring person. He was always involved with his four children, and their school activities. He was a driver for field trips, and always available for every school function. Went into the classrooms to talk about what it was like to be a trooper, and reinforce safety issues for children.

He was the one everyone called on when there was a problem in the neighborhood. He kept the neighbors house from being broken into simply by just being aware, and available to frighten off intruders, while the owners were on vacation.

When they needed a soccer coach for his daughter Ariel's team, he volunteered. Then he and his partner Mike, lead their team to an A! City Championship. Only 3 goals were scored against the Flames all season !! The girls would have gone 'to the moon and back' for him.

He was a very humble man, never speaking much about what he did, but always had another persons welfare in mind. As a person who loved kids, he enjoyed sharing with them on the soccer field, the computer game, homework, or math.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.



Helen Jones
Hjones@gci.com

Public Safety Employees Association, Inc.
"Representing Alaska's Finest"

March 21, 2002

Representative Pete Kott
Alaska State Legislature
State Capital (MS 3100)
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Representative Kott,

Those who have died while on duty are often remembered by their colleagues, family and friends, but far too often their memories fade too rapidly as time goes on. House Bill 507 would help to slow down the fading of such memories by naming the Northbound weigh station at mile 10.6 on the Glenn Highway after a fallen colleague, Trooper Hans Roelle.

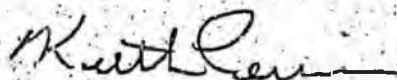
Trooper Hans-Peter Lothar Roelle was taken from us suddenly while on duty on the Glenn Highway, but the memory of his sacrifice will indelibly live on into the future if this bill becomes law. Not only will his preserved memory be of comfort to those who knew and loved Trooper Roelle, but it will also serve as a symbol of the respect and honor that our state bestows upon its citizens who serve the noble cause of law enforcement.

Moreover, the bill also names the Glenn Highway Bike Trail after another fallen comrade in arms, Officer Justin T. Wollam. This gesture will further the effort, embodied in this bill, of putting those who serve selflessly by putting fallen officers on the honor roll of Alaska's citizenry.

Far too many law enforcement officers have succumbed to the supreme sacrifice in our great state. Too many have died responding to calls for help from our citizens. Sadly, but due to the nature of our work, I am afraid that there will probably be more in the future. House Bill 507 will go a long ways in making sure future law enforcement officers understand that their jobs are not only important, but the nature of their work is understood and appreciated by those who serve in the legislature.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill and please lend your support to this splendid effort of honorable recognition.

Sincerely,



Keith Perrin
Business Manager

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March 29, 2002

Representative Pete Kott
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Kott:

On behalf of the Alaska Peace Officers Association (APOA), I would like to thank you for introducing House Bill 507 naming the Trooper Roelle Memorial Weigh Station and the Officer Wollam Memorial Bike Trail; and providing for an effective date.

The Alaska Peace Officers Association fully supports HB 507 naming the north bound weigh station at mile 10.6 of the Glenn Highway after Trooper Roelle and the Glenn Highway Bike trail after Officer Wollam. This act honors the lives of these men who laid down their lives for the sake of others. The APOA appreciates the initiative you have taken as sponsor of this bill to commemorate and bring honor to the memory of these brave men, who were police officers.

Please contact the APOA office in Anchorage at 277-0515 if there is anything our organization can do to assist in the passage of this bill.

Sincerely,

Leo Brandlien
State President

Subj: (no subject)
Date: 4/2/2002 12:26:31 PM Alaskan Standard Time
From: Mancubs004
To: Representative Pate Kott@legis.state.ak.us, Representative Brian Porter@legis.state.ak.us

Ref. House Bill 507 "An Act naming the Trooper Roelle Weigh Station and the Officer Wollam Memorial Bike Trail.

On July 9, 2001, Officer Justin T. Wollam, with the Anchorage Police Department was killed in the line of duty, after being struck head-on intentionally by a drunk driver that had been pursued by other officers.

Justin had worked five years with Anchorage Police, after moving here from Texas, where he also worked as a police officer. Justin was married to Kristy and had a four year old daughter, named Kristin.

Officer Justin Wollam was a young officer who loved being a police officer and had made Anchorage his choice to pursue his love of law enforcement. Justin touched the lives of co-workers, friends and anyone else who came in contact with him.

I ask that we not forget Officer Wollam and in naming the bike trail by where he died in honor of him, would be an honor for Officer Wollam, his co-workers, family and friends. It would show that we will not forget the sacrifice, bravery that Officer Wollam gave on July 9, 2001.

I will also be faxing some letter of reflections by fellow officers, friends and family members.

Thank you
Cindy Pollitt
(retired State Trooper)
email mancubs004@aol.com

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The Officer Down Memorial Page remembers...

Patrol Officer Justin T. Wollam
Anchorage Police Department, AK



Reflections

Cause of Death: Vehicular assault
End of Watch: July 09, 2001
Date of Incident: July 09, 2001
Age: 28
Tour of Duty: 5 yr
Suspect Info: Killed in accident
Weapon Used: Automobile; Alcohol involved



Officer Wollam was killed when his cruiser was struck head-on by a vehicle being driven by a drunk driver. The vehicle had been spotted earlier by an officer who attempted to stop it because it was driving erratically. The vehicle sped off and was pursued by the officer. After the vehicle stopped several juveniles fled from it with officers in pursuit. Other juveniles who remained in the vehicle started to flee again and were followed by other officers from a distance. At approximately 0400 hours the vehicle crossed into opposing traffic on Glenn Highway where it struck Officer Wollam's cruiser. The driver of the vehicle and two occupants were also killed in the accident.

Officer Wollam had been with the agency for two years and had been in law enforcement for a total of five years. He was survived by his wife and 4-year-old daughter.

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Friends and Family Remember...

Patrol Officer Justin T. Wollam
Anchorage Police Department, AK

To the family and friends of Officer Wollam, Our thoughts and prayer go out to you.

My husband was also killed in line of duty when he was 27 and he also left our daughter when she was 4 and our son when he was 7, I know what your wife is going through right now, please take care of them from up in heaven and be always near them as the "angel" that you are now.

God Bless you always.

Terry Miyares
widow
Officer Emilio Miyares
Hialeah Police Dept, Florida
E.O.W. 11/6/86

Terry Miyares, officer's widow
Hialeah Police Dept.

You are not forgotten! We will continue to do the job in your honor and in memory of you and all who laid down their lives so that we could live in a civilized society. We are stronger because of you. Rest in peace.

PTLM. M.W. LUDLOW
PALMYRA POLICE DEPARTMENT, NJ

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I'm very sorry to hear about the tragic death of Officer Wollam. It is surprising how many people show complete disregard for the lives of others by drinking and driving. However, Officer Wollam's sacrifice inspires me even more to do all that I can to become a police officer and protect people from these tragedies just as he did.

"Greater love hath no man that this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13

I pray that his family, friends, and fellow officers find comfort through the hope that faith in the Lord always brings.

Anonymous

"I was that which others did not want to be. I went where others feared to go,

and did what others failed to do. I asked nothing from those who gave nothing, and reluctantly accepted the fact of eternal loneliness ...should I fall. I have seen the face of terror and felt the stinging cold of fear. I have loved, cried, suffered, and hoped, but most of all, I have lived times others would say were "best forgotten". At least some day I will be able to say that I was proud of what I was - A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER!" (Source Unknown Author)

**Kelly
Des Moines, WA**

My families thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Our family lost Trooper Moen 2 weeks ago and nothing that we can say can ease your pain. May God be with you and your family.

Anonymous

To the Family, Relatives, Friends, and Colleagues of Officer Justin T. Wollam,

We were all saddened at the news of this officer making the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. Our sincere condolences go out to each of you and our prayers go up for you.

May god bless and keep you in His mighty arms,

Jack H. Lanier, Jr.
Chaplain, Longview Police Department (TX)

**Chaplain
Longview police Department (TX)**

Officer Justin T. Wollam was an excellent officer. His smiling face was always welcome in dispatch.

Our thoughts and prayer are with his family in this time of grief.

**Louise Dunn, Dispatcher
Anchorage Police Department**

This case is a prime example of the fact that you need to ensure that when you put on that uniform your right with the world. The fact that so many times we don't "pre-think" our day only leaves me wondering what would happen if my life was taken in the line of duty without warning. So many officers have been taken these months its hard not to have a heavy heart. A piece of all of

us is gone forever. We only hope the lord above looks after us and those officers who have given the ultimate sacrifice watch over us in our daily battles. We are warriors of the modern ages. We live and die everyday. Our only hope is to make the difference in the communities that we have chosen to make our homes. The lucky ones make a difference in a lot of communities. To Justin, you will live within us. To the family and friends, know that you have our love.

**Patrol Officer Jonathan Terland
Fairbanks Police Department**

It is a great tragedy when an officer loses their life. It is extremely tragic when it is lost in a senseless act such as this. Officers Wollam's friends and family are in our thoughts and prayers.

**Deputy Steven D. Ray
Cochise County S.O Arizona**

Rest in peace Officer Wollam.

Anonymous

To Ofc. Wollam and his family,
You will be in our prayers. You have paid the ultimate price for those you will not. Go forth and patrol from your heavenly post. We will serve in your honor.
"UNA STAMUS"

**Ofc. B.C. Moore
Cobb County PD, GA**

My heart goes out to the department, friends, and family of this hero.

**Andy
Baltimore City Police**

God Bless you sir, and may you find peace. Please watch over your brothers and sisters in LE as they go about their everyday lives. They might not suffer the "ultimate sacrifice" as you have, but your watch will help. Thank you for "protecting and serving." You shall not be forgotten.

Anonymous

"Unable are the loved to die, for love is immortality"- (Emily Dickinson-1864)

Annoymus



Justin,
How will we go on, now that you are gone?
You are no longer with us, so who responds when we ask for a 10-34?
The senseless way you were taken from us leads me to only one
conclusion... God needed a cover unit, and none better to answer the call.
The men and women of the Anchorage Police Department WILL go on, in
your honor! We do this knowing that we have a long, tall, Texas angel on our
shoulders.
You will remain in our hearts always.
Rick and Anita

**Sergeant Rick & Anita Shell
Anchorage Police Department**



Dear Officer Wollam,

Many thanks for serving us in Anchorage. And, inasmuch as you had to
surrender your life, know that you go to God having certainly saved many
more from this reckless delinquent.

Your life and service was not in vain.

**Alan Cleveland
Alaska Visitor's Network**

MY Son was Killed on Duty one Year ago Yesterday. He left Three Babies
and a Wife behind. So all of us here know the Terrible feeling. Justin was
young like my son. What a Shame to die so young. We will say Prayers for
you. Being a Policeman is like being a Soldier in a War zone. You never know
when its your Time to go. 75 have died so far this Year. They are all in the
Hands of God now. Kenny

**Deputy Sheriff Kenny Hetrick
Ottawa county Sheriffs Dept**

You died a hero. You lived as a hero, to your co-workers, your wife and your
child. We will carry on in your absence. Knowing that you are now a Guardian
Angel to all or your LE Brothers and Sisters is some comfort. Rest in Peace
Brother.

**Inspector Tim Huff
US Customs**

To the family & friends of Justin:
May you find comfort in the love and friendship that surrounds you. My son

and I will be saying a special prayer for you.

Hugs and love, Jodi

**Jodi
Honolulu Police Department**

I am so sorry for your loss. It is so far for me to travel but I have been to Anchorage and found it a beautiful place.

If I can assist you in any way please contact me.

Again, I give you my most sincere condolences. It is tough when one of us can no longer answer roll call.

Terry

**T Bacus
Columbus**

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We will miss your willingness to help and to learn. Thanks for the chance to work with you.
You are not forgotten.

**Det. Scott Jessen
Anchorage Police**

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY MY BROTHER YOUR TOUR HAS ENDED, MAY YOU KNOW WATCH OVER THE REST OF US TO KEEP THE DEMONS AWAY! YOUR IN A BETTER PLACE, YOU DID WHAT OTHERS FEAR TO DO AND DID IT WITH PRIDE!

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Justin was a hard worker, and good at being a cop. He was not heavy-handed, badge-heavy, nor a coward. He was easy to get along with, easy to talk to, never complained at work, and always handled more than his share. Justin would back up officers without being asked. To Justin's family, I'm so sorry for your/ our loss. He will be sorely missed, and never forgotten.

Psalms 34:15-18

"The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous, and His ears are open to their cry. The face of the Lord is against evildoers, to cut off the memory of them from the earth. The righteous cry and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

With tears, we bid you good-bye, until we meet again.

Your friends, Brett & Carol Sarber

Patrol Officer Brett Sarber
Anchorage Police Department

To another fallen brother...rest in peace and remember you are now patrolling the streets of heaven with your fellow brothers who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

God Bless Family and Friends of Officer Justin T. Wollam.

Ptd. Matt Morton
Traverse City Police Department, Traverse City, Michigan

Justin,

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Your enduring smile, warm heart and Texan gait will never be forgotten. God had a reason for taking you that will always be beyond our understanding, but I like Rick's sentiment, God must have needed a 34, cozle, God speed my brother.

OFC Mike Raleigh
Anchorage Police Dept.

Mrs. Wollam,

We are forever indebted for the great sacrifice that Justin made. May the Lord forever bless and keep your family and loved ones.

"SEMPER FIDELIS"

Officer Allen
DOD, NDW

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It is not fair that a husband/father of his quality was taken away from those who love him by an intoxicated, delinquent teenager. I pray that Justin's wife and child can overcome the grief from this horrible incident and move on with the hope of seeing him again someday in a better place.

Our prayers are with you Justin and family.

Officer Rob Lund
Anchorage Police Dept.

Mere words cannot express my true feelings right now. I have been involved with way too many 'Officer Killed' funerals. They take their toll on us all. This senseless act has resulted in four needless deaths, the hardest (in my eyes)

is that of our brother, Justin.

* Justin is the youngest to have given his life at our department. The true story of this incident is gut wrenching - but the shortened version is that the young adult driver INTENTIONALLY drove at Justin's vehicle. This was NO accident.

To the Wollam family - my deepest regards and heartfelt sadness are the feelings that I share with you. Know that Justin will never be forgotten, that his wife and child will be part of 'our family' forever. My prayers, and those of my family are with you one and all. Get close to your family. and believe in the strength of God as you begin the journey of grieving and healing.

Justin, rest in peace our brother!

Sgt Paul Honeman and Family
APD

**Sergeant Paul Honeman
Anchorage Police Department**

I wish to say this officer is also a hero, a man who took the risks to make society safer, and in the process, may have saved another life, with his own.... God surely holds you tightly now, and He never forgets those whom mourn your loss, he will strengthen those who ask, and He too grieves, America grieves...we will NEVER FORGET!

Rest in peace comrade, a job well done....

**Scott Parker
Former Harris County Deputy Constable**

* Justin

The citizens of Anchorage may never know how much of a difference you made out there but those who knew you understands the void that is left with your passing. Every day you put on the uniform you realized that this could be your last day but that never affected the way that you conducted yourself and the professional way you handled your calls. I will cherish the times we worked together in Eagle River.

Kristy and Kristin having lost a father at the age of 13 I know first hand the void that is left in your hearts, eventually the pain will fade and will be replaced with fond memories of the kind of person Justin was as a husband and as a father. Kristin your daddy was a true hero may you never lose those memories. You are forever a part of the APD family and we will be there for you.

You, Lord, are my shepherd. I will never be in need. You let me rest in fields of green grass. You lead me to streams of peaceful water, and you refresh my life. You are true to your name, and you lead me along the right paths. I may walk through valleys as dark as death, but I won't be afraid. You are with me, and your shepherds rod makes me feel safe. You treat me to a feast, while my enemies watch. You honor me as your guest, and you fill my cup

until it overflows. Your kindness and love will always be with me each day of my life, and I will live forever in your house, Lord. Psalm 23

Justin, you will be with me each day of my life. Good bye brother.

**Patrol Officer Kevin R Armstrong
Anchorage Police Department**

Are thoughts are with you we just lost an deputy on Saturday. It is tuff to deal with!!

**Deputy Brent Martin
Morgan Co. Sheriff Indiana**

Justin, I didn't know you and yet I still feel a great loss from our family in law enforcement. I worked for the Anchorage Police Department briefly and it truly is a great family that suffered a great loss by your death. I believe now you are patrolling the best beat a cop can have.

Farewell, Officer Shaun Henry San Diego Police

**Officer Shaun P. Henry
San Diego Police Department**

X Justin was a caring, compassionate person and loving husband and father. He will be missed forever by his family. When my daughter Kristy and Justin decided to marry, I told her I couldn't have picked a better son-in-law. I loved Justin as a son. He left behind a beautiful daughter, Kristin who is like him in many ways. I thank God for giving us Justin, and Justin for giving us Kristin. Justin, we will watch after Kristy and Kristin. As you watch over us from Heaven, know you are in our every thought. We love you.

Charles Cash, civilian (Justin's Father-

X WELL JUSTIN, WE MISS YOU BUD. I MISS THE DAYS OF YOU AND I FIGHTING WITH ROBERT AND RUSSELL WHEN WE WERE YOUNG WHILE STAYING WITH OUR GRANPARENTS FOR THE SUMMER. I WILL FOREVER CHERISH THE MEMORIES THAT I HAVE OF YOU. COMING DALLAS AND RIDEALONGS WITH ME. YOU AND I GETTING LOST LOOKING FOR WHERE BONNIE AND CLYDE WERE BURIED. HAVING JENNIFER AND KRISTI WAIT IN THE VAN IN A NOT SO NICE PART OF TOWN. BOY WERE THEY HOT. YOUR DRIVE AND DETERMINATION HAS INSPIRED ME..SENSELESS ACTS HAVE TAKEN YOU FROM US AND I WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND WHY. OUR HEARTS ARE BROKEN. HEARTS MEND, BUT, WE WILL FOREVER BEAR SCARS OF A BROKEN HEART TO SERVE AS A REMINDER OF YOU. THANKS FOR ALL THE GOOD YOU BROUGHT INTO THIS WORLD. IF ONLY WE HAD ONE MORE DAY WITH YOU. I GUESS I ALWAYS THOUGHT I KNEW ALOT, BUT YOU KNOW ONE THING I DON'T. WHAT HEAVEN LOOKS LIKE. SEE YOU WHEN I

GET THERE..LOVE YA!!!!!!

YOUR COUSIN
JAMES

JAMES EASTERLING
ADDISON POLICE DEPT

* What kind of Officer do you want to come to your call for help?
 * What kind of Officer do you want to wear your department's uniform?
 * What kind of officer do you want to arrive as your "back-up?"
 * What kind of Officer should we all strive to be like?
 Justin T. Wollam, 6'4" tall, lean, strong, and technically and tactically proficient. Justin was always quick to smile and see the light and humor in any situation, but was compassionate and understanding with every complainant and victim he came in contact with. Justin had developed a command presence and confident bearing that let everyone around him know that he was "now in control" of whatever situation he was involved with. Justin could quickly assess any situation he got into, make a plan, and solve the problem at hand.
 A.P.D. lost one of our finest. A better partner and friend I could never find. I miss that Texas "drawl", and big "cheesy" grin. Rest easy, Justin, and handle the call GOD dispatched you to. We all will miss you from down here, and make sure KRISTY and KRISTIN are safe.

Jared McKay
Anchorage P.D.

* This community lost a dedicated officer and I lost a great friend. Justin, the only comfort I find in any of this is that you are "on the job" in a much better place, watching over each and every one of us. While I find it impossible not to grieve your death, I shall strive to celebrate your life with us, for you made a lasting impression on those around you.

To a great friend, a wonderful husband, an outstanding daddy and a true hero.....I will never forget you and shall one day be proud to stand by your side again.

Ofc. Ryan Rockom
Anchorage Police Department

Officer Ryan Rockom
Anchorage Police Department

Brother I will keep you in my memories. It is so tragic that the Lord is always calling us one after another. We chose this job knowing its dangers. It is a thankless job only your fellow brothers and sisters can understand. But, you will never be forgotten. May god bless you and your family, and may he watch over your wife and daughter.

Deputy Sheriff
Seminole County Sheriff's Office FL.

X On behalf of the Fraternal Order of Police, our deepest heartfelt condolences on this tragic loss. We will never forget your dedication, bravery and ultimate sacrifice in protection our Nation, and your communtiy. This service was not in vain, for it displayed uncommon valor in this collective effort to make our nation free from the evil that exists in our world today.

"The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name will trust in you, for you Lord have never forsaken those who seek you." Psalm 9:9-10

John D. Sainz
Tucson Police Department

I'm so sorry for the tragic and sudden death of your husband. I know you are very proud to have been married to such a wonderful man. My husband was a police officer too, he loved his job so much. He wasn't killed in the line of duty, he died from cancer. It was a horrible battle we faced, and unfortunately his body could not take anymore. I hope that you are doing ok, I know it's the hardest thing you have ever been through. Be strong and safe and take care of yourself.

Deanna
Young Widows

Wife of Corporal John Pursley II
By Saint Louis Police Department

Justin,

X It was with heavy hearts and many tears that my family bid you farewell one month ago. Our ray of hope has been your faith in Christ. Another has been the assurance we have that we will see you again one day. As a result of your faith, our 5 year old son accepted Jesus' gift of salvation. After watching your funeral service on t.v., he decided that he would like to meet you one day, in a far better place. Hopefully, your ultimate sacrifice will bring others to embrace the faith you lived out in your life.

"Thank you," from a grateful mother and citizen. I will never forget you and I promise to stand by Kristy and Kristin as long as I live.

Cheri Chavers
APD Officer's Wife

X Justin,

Sweetheart, I miss you terribly and try day by day to get through my life without you. My mind is constantly thinking of you and my heart breaks everytime I am shocked into the realization that you are gone. Thank you for all the beautiful memories of our life together, and more importantly, thank you for our beautiful daughter! I promise to try to make every dream you had for her come true.

* Until we meet again and you can once again wrap me in your arms...
All of my love FOREVER,
Kristy

Kristy Wollam
Justin's Wife

* I don't remember a time when I didn't know Justin. Growing up in the small town of Danbury, Texas, we were always friends. We shared crayons the first day of kindergarten, and I was there the day he left Texas for Alaska. I don't think Justin ever really knew how deeply he touched everyone he came in contact with. Anyone who ever spent time around Justin can tell you they're a much better person for having known him.

Justin was also a truly dedicated husband and father, something truly rare in this day and age. His love for Kristy and Kristen was always evident and undeniable. I know that much of the love I try to show my wife every day was learned from Justin's shining example. I only hope I can be half the father he was.

Justin, I miss you every day and I can't wait to see you again. In the end, the most important thing I know is that you always have been, and always will be my friend.

Robert P. Hanson

* God looked around his Garden and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon his earth and saw your loving face.
He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest.
His Garden must be beautiful, he always takes the best.
You've left us precious memories, your love will be our guide.
You live on through your child, you're always by our side.
It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you on the day God called you home.

With this, I send my love and prayers for you and your family.

Trish Buddner

* Hey Justin - I'm sorry we haven't seen each other in so long. This thing called life took each of us on separate journeys. My hope to see you again in this life has past. I'm so sorry it took you leaving us for me to finally meet Kristy and Kristin. Your little girl reminds me so much of you. I keep thinking about that summer day we went to San Antonio and New Braunfels - just you and me, no adults! We always had such fun whenever the family would all get together. And I haven't forgotten getting you into that Police Academy movie when you were WAY too young for an R-movie - but you loved hanging out with the "older kids." In the last month, I've made a point of saying "thank you" to any police officer I see. You'd love it! They all give me this funny look when I walk up to them, that little supscious look I think all police officers have. I hold out my hand, introduce myself, and tell each one "Thank you for all that you do in protecting me and the city." When the office:(s) hears that, I think

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they're surprised. I explain why I'm saying thank you - that our family lost you recently and that you were the type of officer that they would want to work with and have at their side and that all police officers should be told "thank you" by those they protect. I can tell that they're touched and appreciate my word of thanks. I'm going to keep doing it, Justin. Go with God, bud. I look forward to seeing you again in a better place. We'll miss you always. Your cousin, Barbra

Barbra Kamer (civilian)

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Justin,
you were the best man in my wedding, my husband's best friend, you saved me from the monsters at the haunted house in Houston, you laughed at me when I won that big ugly hat at Astroworld. There are too many memories to list but I am gonna miss you dearly. I know I will see you again and we will have many more memories to make together. I will be praying for Kristy and Kristen everyday.

forever friends
sara keenom

sara

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Dear Justin,
When I got that phone call from Texas I didn't understand how something so awful could happen to someone who is so loved. We have watched you grow up by pictures, letters and long phone calls. Of course your visit to Md was great, but our visit to Texas was unforgettable. You and Beverly fought from the time we left the airport to the time we went back, boy what a week you and Beverly had. Then you both cried when we left. Oh, you kids. I'll be in Texas in a few weeks, so I'll visit you. Mom and I have been friends for almost 40 years, so I'll keep a good watch out for her. We talk a lot these days. You and my Beverly just grew up so fast. We will always remember you and think of all the good times our family has had. We love you.

Aunt Elsie, Beverly and Family

Hey TEXAS SLIM, aka: JUSTIN

miss you.
I am not good on writing a message, I would rather talk to you in person, so I will say to you, can't wait to see you.

love always,
lj
back home in TEXAS.

Patrol/ Laura Jo
Angleton Police Department/TEXAS

Dear Justin,

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This is your Mom. You were such a pleasure to your dad and me for 28 years. You know if your Dad or me could have taken your place and died for you we would have done it. But it was Gods will for you to join h m in heaven. Your dad and I will talk about funny things you did when you were little. Like the time we had to make a sudden stop by the road coming from the mall, (That is our secret, huh son) and how we would go out to eat you would always order the most expensive thing. Your brother Russell would always say "Justin that's too expensive" but you would order it anyway. You know son; I wouldn't have it any other way. The one thing I'll miss most of all is when we talk on the phone; the last thing you would always say to me is "I love you Momma". Son your Dad and I will always have an empty place in our hearts not having you here with us. I know you are in Gods hands and He is taking care of everything.

We Love You and We Miss You,

Momma and Daddy

PS. I've learned to make chicken and dumplings, but they're not as good as Ma-Maw's

Beverly Wollam
Justin's Mother

Not all heros live in New York. You are missed by all in Anchorage.

Anonymous

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Justin, its been seven months since that fatefull night in July and we miss you as much today as we did then. Things are changing left and right here at APD with people retiring and resigning and new guys coming on, we always make sure we tell the new guys about you and what a great guy you are. Kristin and Kristy seem to be holding up real well its great that they have the family out here and they will always be a part of the APD family. Well buddy guess Ill close for now and get ready for work, I know you are watching over us from above and we all appreciate that. Until we meet again my friend.

Anonymous

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Justin

Well its come to a close I guess...the people responsible for providing the alcohol to the teens that were in the accid'ent with you got the maximum sentence, which still isnt enough in my opinion. This will hopefully bring relief to Kristy and Kristin and your family and friends. Hopefully "Justins Law" will pass all the legal hurdles it has awaiting and when in effec: will keep this from happening again. Well my friend, rest easy and well meet again someday.

Anonymous

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: HB507
() Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: DOT&PF
Title An Act naming the Trooper Rolle BRU Highways and Aviation
Memorial Weigh Station ... Component Central Region Highways and Aviation
Sponsor House Rules
Requester House Transportation Component No. 564

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual	0.0					
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	0.0					
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type-Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0
Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
The department will change the sign on the outbound weigh station on the Glenn Highway to reflect the name change. The department will also install proper markers designating the new trail name at either end of the trail.

Prepared by: Dennis R. Poshard, Assistant to Commissioner Phone 465-3904
Division: Commissioner's Office Date/Time 4/1/02 1:47 PM
Approved by: Joseph L. Perkins, Commissioner Date 4/1/2002
Agency: Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: HB 507

BY REPRESENTATIVE MASEK

- 1 Page 1, line 1, following "Station":
- 2 Delete "and"
- 3 Insert ","
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- 5 Page 1, line 2, following "Trail":
- 6 Insert ", and the Joseph L. Perkins Bridge"
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- 8 Page 1, following line 9:
- 9 Insert new material to read:
- 10 "Sec. 35.40.160. Joseph L. Perkins Bridge. The bridge at mile 56.5 of the
- 11 Seward Highway, popularly known as the Canyon Creek Bridge, is named the Joseph
- 12 L. Perkins Bridge."