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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005—06 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 63

**Introduced by Assembly Member Negrete McLeod
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Canciamilla, Chavez, Cohn, Dymally, Jerome Horton, Huff,
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(Coauthor: Senator Soto)**

May 2, 2005

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 63—Relative to the ~~California Corrections Youth Authority~~ *CYA* Counselor Ineasie M. Baker Memorial Freeway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 63, as amended, Negrete McLeod. ~~California Corrections Youth Authority~~ *CYA* Counselor Ineasie M. Baker Memorial Freeway.

This measure would designate State Highway Route 60 from immediately west of the westbound onramp from South Milliken Avenue to immediately west of the eastbound offramp at South Euclid Avenue the ~~California Corrections Youth Authority~~ *CYA* Counselor Ineasie M. Baker Memorial Freeway.

This measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation, and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Peace officers in California’s Department of the
2 California Youth Authority (*CYA*) are recognized as working in
3 an environment that is both professionally challenging and
4 potentially dangerous, as demonstrated by tragic events; and

5 WHEREAS, Ineasie M. Baker was born in Keachie,
6 Louisiana, on October 12, 1953, and at the age of 17 she moved
7 with her family to Los Angeles and graduated from Freemont
8 High School in 1971; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1975, Ineasie M. Baker, graduated from
10 California State University, Fullerton with a degree in Physical
11 Education; and

12 WHEREAS, After graduating from California State
13 University, Fullerton, Ineasie M. Baker worked as a supervisor
14 for Laura Scudders for more than 10 years before gaining an
15 interest in criminal justice. After successfully graduating from
16 the academy, she became a correctional officer and was later
17 promoted to a counselor. She was employed by the ~~California~~
18 ~~Youth Authority~~ *CYA* for 13 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Ineasie M. Baker was highly respected and often
20 worked long hours to fulfill the needs of others. She was known
21 as a “dedicated and inspirational counselor whose main concern
22 was the inmates;” and

23 WHEREAS, On August 9, 1996, Ineasie M. Baker was slain at
24 the Herman G. Stark Youth Correctional Facility, an institution
25 for young adult criminals, where she worked; and

26 WHEREAS, The homicide is the first ever of a peace officer at
27 a ~~California Youth Authority~~ *CYA* facility; and

28 WHEREAS, Ineasie M. Baker made her family her most
29 important priority, and her family was her joy, and she enjoyed
30 shopping, playing bingo, attending concerts, spending time with
31 her mother, Mary Maxie, and taking trips to Las Vegas with her
32 husband, Donald Baker; and

33 WHEREAS, Ineasie M. Baker is survived by her husband
34 Donald Baker, daughter Tiffany Baker, stepdaughter Cynthia
35 Baker, granddaughter Bria Ineasie Boone, stepgrandsons
36 Dominic Cloy, Kelvin Owens, and Qwaylie Owens, and parents
37 Fred D. Maxie and Mary Maxie; and

38 WHEREAS, It is appropriate to memorialize the sacrifice of
39 ~~Corrections Youth Authority~~ *CYA* Counselor Ineasie M. Baker
40 by naming State Highway Route 60 from immediately west of

1 the westbound onramp from South Milliken Avenue to
2 immediately west of the eastbound offramp at South Euclid
3 Avenue the ~~California Corrections Youth Authority~~ *CYA*
4 Counselor Ineasie M. Baker Memorial Freeway; and

5 WHEREAS, The recognition of Ineasie M. Baker by this
6 resolution is an expression of the Legislature's gratitude for both
7 her service to California and for giving the greatest measure of
8 sacrifice, her life, while serving in her professional capacity;
9 now, therefore, be it

10 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
11 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates State
12 Highway Route 60 from immediately west of the westbound ~~on~~
13 ~~ramp~~ *onramp* from South Milliken Avenue to immediately west
14 of the eastbound ~~off ramp~~ *offramp* at South Euclid Avenue the
15 ~~California Corrections Youth Authority~~ *CYA* Counselor Ineasie
16 M. Baker Memorial Freeway; and be it further

17 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is requested
18 to determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the
19 signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this
20 special designation, and, upon receiving donations from nonstate
21 sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs; and be it
22 further

23 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit
24 copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and
25 to the author for appropriate distribution.