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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 19-1013

101	CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF COLORADO STATE HIGHWAY 24
102	BETWEEN MILE MARKERS 209 AND 212 ON EACH END OF THE
103	TOWN OF BUENA VISTA, COLORADO, AS THE "CORPORAL
104	EARNEST CLIFFORD SEXTON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY".

1	WHEREAS, November 11, 2018, was the 100th anniversary of the
2	end of World War I; and

3	WHEREAS, March 15, 2019, is the 100th anniversary of the
4	creation of the American Legion; and

5	WHEREAS, American Legion Post 55 in Buena Vista, Colorado,
6	is named in honor of World War I veteran Corporal Earnest Clifford
7	Sexton; and

1 2	WHEREAS, Corporal Sexton was born in 1889 and came to Buena Vista at the age of ten; and
3	WHEREAS, When he was old enough, Corporal Sexton worked
4	in the mines and played baseball in Buena Vista and was the town's
5	pitcher and baseball idol; and
6	WHEREAS, Corporal Sexton was invited to tryout for the Chicago
7	White Sox, but World War I began and Corporal Sexton chose instead to
8	enlist in the United States Army; and
9	WHEREAS, Corporal Sexton, as a member of the H Company,
10	355th Infantry, had volunteered to help destroy an enemy machine gun
11	nest across the Meuse River near Stenay, France; and
12 13 14	WHEREAS, While on the mission, Corporal Sexton was killed in action on November 9, 1918, two days before the armistice on November 11, 1918; and
15	WHEREAS, Corporal Sexton and his family are buried in Mt.
16	Olivet Cemetery in Buena Vista; and
17	WHEREAS, Corporal Sexton's funeral was one of only two times
18	in the history of Buena Vista that every business shut down; and
19	WHEREAS, Corporal Sexton is a war hero who gave his life for
20	his country and should be remembered in Buena Vista; now, therefore,
21	Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the
22	Seventy-second General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate
23	concurring herein:
24	(1) That the portion of Colorado State Highway 24 between Mile
25	Markers 209 and 212 on each end of the town of Buena Vista, Colorado,
26	be designated as the "Corporal Earnest Clifford Sexton Memorial
27	Highway";
28	(2) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may accept
29	and expend gifts, grants, and donations for the purpose of the initial
30	placement of signs at Mile Markers 209 and 212 of Colorado State
31	Highway 24 for the "Corporal Earnest Clifford Sexton Memorial
32	Highway"; and

(3) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may explore
a cooperative agreement with the Board of County Commissioners of
Chaffee County for the maintenance of the markings for the "Corporal
Earnest Clifford Sexton Memorial Highway".

5 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent 6 to Darryl Atherton, Jan Quick, and to the Board of County 7 Commissioners of Chaffee County.