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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 16-014

101 **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 285**
102 **FROM MILE MARKER 238 TO MILE MARKER 245 AS THE**
103 **"SERGEANT SEAN P. RENFRO MEMORIAL HIGHWAY".**

1 WHEREAS, Sergeant Sean Patrick Renfro, a Colorado native, was
2 a star student athlete at Englewood High School, so much so that his
3 football jersey number was retired following his death; and

4 WHEREAS, Sergeant Renfro graduated from Metropolitan State
5 University of Denver with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and
6 Criminology in 1999, making the commitment to serve his fellow
7 citizens; and

8 WHEREAS, Sergeant Renfro started his fifteen-year law
9 enforcement career with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office in August

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Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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1 2000 and was later promoted to the rank of Sergeant in January 2009; and

2 WHEREAS, In the Detentions Division as a Field Training
3 instructor, Sergeant Renfro excelled at training and mentoring new
4 deputies, and in one appraisal he was called a "Go-To" for deputies
5 needing direction and help with decision making; and

6 WHEREAS, Sergeant Renfro received two life saving
7 commendations for his efforts in preventing inmates from taking their
8 own lives; and

9 WHEREAS, Sergeant Renfro received commendations for his
10 efforts in assisting citizens during the 2013 Blue Bell Fire and the 2013
11 flood; and

12 WHEREAS, Sergeant Renfro's leadership abilities earned him a
13 place on a promotional list for the position of Lieutenant in 2013; and

14 WHEREAS, Sergeant Renfro's commitment to his community was
15 consistently displayed through his involvement in his church, his
16 volunteering, helping youth through his little league coaching efforts, his
17 endless concern for his neighbors and strangers alike, and his devotion to
18 his wife and four children; and

19 WHEREAS, On January 3, 2015, Sergeant Renfro was killed
20 while off duty when he stopped during a snow storm to help with a traffic
21 accident on United States Highway 285 at Mile Marker 241, and another
22 vehicle lost control and struck Sergeant Renfro, killing him instantly; and

23 WHEREAS, It was determined that although off duty, Sergeant
24 Renfro was acting under the color of his authority, and his name will be
25 added to both the Colorado and National Law Enforcement Memorials in
26 2016; and

27 WHEREAS, Sergeant Renfro's service and dedication to his
28 county and to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office was extraordinary and
29 he will be sorely missed; now, therefore,

30 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventieth General Assembly*
31 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

32 (1) That United States Highway 285 from Mile Marker 238 to

1 Mile Marker 245 be renamed the "Sergeant Sean P. Renfro Memorial
2 Highway".

3 (2) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may accept
4 and expend gifts, grants, and donations for the purpose of the initial
5 placement of the two signs to mark United States Highway 285 from Mile
6 Marker 238 to Mile Marker 245 as the "Sergeant Sean P. Renfro
7 Memorial Highway".

8 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
9 to Sergeant Renfro's wife Crystal Renfro; the Jefferson County Sheriff's
10 Office; Don Rosier, Jefferson County Commissioner; Casey Tighe,
11 Jefferson County Commissioner; Libby Szabo, Jefferson County
12 Commissioner; Stan Hilkey, Executive Director of the Department of
13 Public Safety; the Colorado Transportation Commission; Herman
14 Stockinger, the Secretary of the Colorado Transportation Commission;
15 and Don Hunt, the Executive Director of the Department of
16 Transportation.