

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 24-007

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CONCERNING DESIGNATING PORTIONS OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 24 AND STATE HIGHWAY 67 THAT ARE IN TELLER COUNTY AS THE PURPLE HEART TRAIL.

WHEREAS, The Purple Heart Medal was established by General George Washington on August 7, 1782; and

WHEREAS, The Purple Heart Medal is awarded to honor military personnel who are wounded or killed in action against the enemy; and

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the Purple Heart of the USA is an organization that was formed in 1932 for the protection and mutual interest of all who have received the decoration; and

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the Purple Heart of the USA is composed exclusively of Purple Heart recipients and is the only veterans service organization composed strictly of combat veterans; and WHEREAS, The Military Order of the Purple Heart of the USA is coordinating a national effort to establish the Purple Heart Trail consisting of major interstate highways and roads leading to patriotic sites; and

WHEREAS, Our state and nation owe a deep debt of gratitude to those members of our Armed Forces who have been wounded or killed in combat and honored with the Purple Heart Medal; and

WHEREAS, Teller county has a large population of highly decorated veterans, many of whom are Purple Heart recipients, and Teller county has always supported its population of veterans; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-fourth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:

(1) That United States Highway 24 and State Highway 67 in Teller county be designated as the "Purple Heart Trail"; and

(2) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may accept and expend gifts, grants, and donations for the purposes of the initial placement of signs to mark United States Highway 24 and State Highway 67 in Teller county as the "Purple Heart Trail".

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to the Teller County Board of County Commissioners, the Mayor and City Council of Cripple Creek, the Mayor and City Council of Woodland Park, the Mayor and City Council of Victor, Teller County Public Works, and the Colorado Department of Transportation.

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