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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 25-1007

101 **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF UNITED STATES INTERSTATE 25**
102 **SOUTHBOUND FROM MILE MARKER 199.4 AND INTERSTATE 25**
103 **NORTHBOUND MILE MARKER 194.8 AS "FIREFIGHTERS**
104 **MEMORIAL HWY IN MEMORY OF CHIEF TROY JACKSON".**

1 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson was born on August 28, 1968, in
2 Englewood, Colorado; and

3 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson was raised in Littleton, Colorado; and

4 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson was a nationally ranked BMX rider and
5 graduate of the Class of 1986 at Heritage High School where he met his
6 high school sweetheart and future wife, Lori; and

7 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson excelled academically, obtaining his

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HOUSE
Final Reading
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1 undergraduate and master's degrees while an active firefighter; and

2 WHEREAS, Along with his academic accomplishments, Troy
3 Jackson was drawn to a life of service as a firefighter, which he remained
4 in for three decades; and

5 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson was hired as a firefighter in 1990 with
6 the Castlewood Fire Protection District, which ultimately became South
7 Metro Fire Rescue, and he was promoted to Engineer in 1995; Lieutenant
8 in 1997; Captain in 2005; Training Bureau Chief in 2015; and then to
9 Assistant Chief of Operations in 2016; and

10 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson was diagnosed with a rare job-related
11 terminal cancer, adenoid cystic carcinoma, in December of 2012; and

12 WHEREAS, Throughout the challenges with his illness, Troy
13 Jackson remained triumphant, a phenomenal leader, and dedicated to
14 improving health outcomes for others by starting programs to prevent
15 job-related cancer in hopes no firefighter would have to endure what he,
16 his family, and his coworkers had to go through; and

17 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson initiated policies and developed
18 equipment to promote aggressive firefighter decontamination following
19 fires, and these policies have since spread across the United States; and

20 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson's hope and prayer was that the fire
21 service would continue to improve the programs needed to prevent and
22 eliminate job-related cancers; and

23 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson succumbed to his illness on December
24 16, 2019; and

25 WHEREAS, Troy Jackson's legacy and sacrifice have been
26 honored at the Colorado Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Lakewood, the
27 International Association of Fire Fighters Memorial in Colorado Springs,
28 and the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland;
29 and

30 WHEREAS, South Metro Fire Rescue's training center was named
31 in Troy's honor, and the Littleton Elks Lodge #1650 has named their
32 annual Firefighter of the Year award in honor of Troy; and

1 WHEREAS, Chief Troy Jackson served his community and lived
2 his life with honor, dignity, and integrity, and was a hero to all who knew
3 him; and

4 WHEREAS, It is only fitting that Troy Jackson be recognized so
5 that we may not forget his sacrifice to our great State; now, therefore,

6 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fifth*
7 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

8 (1) That the portion of United States Interstate 25 Southbound
9 from mile marker 199.4 and Interstate 25 Northbound mile marker 194.8
10 be designated as "Firefighters Memorial Hwy In Memory Of Chief Troy
11 Jackson" to honor the memory and legacy of Troy Jackson, a man
12 described by loved ones as fiercely loving and devoted;

13 (2) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may accept
14 and expend gifts, grants, and donations for the purposes of the initial
15 placement of signs to mark United States Interstate 25 Southbound from
16 mile marker 199.4 and Interstate 25 Northbound mile marker 194.8 as the
17 "Firefighters Memorial Hwy In Memory of Chief Troy Jackson"; and

18 (3) That the Colorado Department of Transportation may explore
19 a cooperative agreement with the Board of County Commissioners for
20 Arapahoe and Douglas counties for the maintenance of the signs marking
21 the "Firefighters Memorial Hwy In Memory of Chief Troy Jackson".

22 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
23 to Troy Jackson's wife, Lori; his daughter, Carley; his son, Covey, and his
24 daughter-in-law, Courtney; his parents, Donna and Paul Jackson; the
25 Board of South Metro Fire Rescue; the Board of County Commissioners
26 in Arapahoe County; and the Board of County Commissioners in Douglas
27 County.