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HOUSE BILL NO. 166

BY REPRESENTATIVES HOFFMANN, ANDERS, BALDONE, HENRY BURNS, CARMODY, CHANEY, CONNICK, DOWNS, GISCLAIR, HARDY, HENDERSON, HENRY, HOWARD, ROSALIND JONES, KATZ, LAFONTA, LITTLE, LOPINTO, RICHARD, RICHARDSON, SEABAUGH, GARY SMITH, JANE SMITH, STIAES, THIERRY, AND WILLMOTT AND SENATOR WALSWORTH

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

AN ACT

To designate portions of Louisiana highways to honor public service of Louisiana citizens; to designate Louisiana Highway 34 from Louisiana Highway 546 to Kings Lake Road as the "Corporal J.R. Searcy Memorial Highway"; to designate the section of United States Highway 51 from the intersection of Louisiana Highway 38 to the Mississippi state line as the "Trooper Rudolph H. Miller Memorial Highway"; to designate the section of Louisiana Highway 118 from Florien to Kisatchie as the "Louisiana Maneuvers and Purple Heart Memorial Highway"; to designate the section of Louisiana Highway 749 from the intersection of West Martin Luther King Drive to the intersection of Louisiana Highway 167 as the "Griffin Pat Miller Memorial Highway"; to designate the highway overpass on United States Highway 165 in Allen Parish in the town of Kinder, Louisiana, as the "Staff Sergeant William Francis 'Bill' Manuel Memorial Overpass"; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Louisiana Highway 34 from Louisiana Highway 546 to Kings Lake Road shall be hereinafter known and designated as the "Corporal J.R. Searcy Memorial Highway". The Department of Transportation and Development shall erect appropriate signage reflecting this designation. Corporal Searcy spent the majority of his adult life serving the citizens of Ouachita Parish as a proud member of the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office. Corporal Searcy honorably served as a patrol deputy, a K-9 deputy, and a training officer for the patrol division. On March 6, 2010, Corporal Searcy died as a result of a gunshot wound received while responding to an aggravated assault complaint and backing up a fellow

deputy sheriff. Corporal Searcy was thirty-three years old when he died in the line of duty, bravely serving and protecting the citizens of Ouachita Parish and enforcing the laws he was sworn to enforce. Corporal Searcy is survived by his wife and three children. Even in death, Corporal Searcy continued to serve his community as his organs were donated to save citizens in need of organ transplants. The family, friends, and fellow deputies were all proud of Corporal Searcy and will deeply miss his friendship and service.

Section 2. The section of United States Highway 51 from the intersection of Louisiana Highway 38 to the Mississippi state line shall hereinafter be known and designated as the "Trooper Rudolph H. Miller Memorial Highway".

Section 3. The section of Louisiana Highway 118 from Florien to Kisatchie shall hereinafter be known and designated as the "Louisiana Maneuvers and Purple Heart Memorial Highway".

Section 4. The section of Louisiana Highway 749 from the intersection of West Martin Luther King Drive to the intersection of Louisiana Highway 167 shall hereinafter be known and designated as the "Griffin Pat Miller Memorial Highway".

Section 5. The highway overpass on United States Highway 165 in Allen Parish in the town of Kinder, Louisiana, shall hereinafter be known and designated as the "Staff Sergeant William Francis 'Bill' Manuel Memorial Overpass".

Section 6. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____