

1 glimpse into the minds and hearts of the people of Russia who
2 lived under the Iron Curtain, and

3 WHEREAS, Patrick D. Smith honorably served his country
4 as a merchant marine in World War II and later wrote the book,
5 The Seas that Mourn, which tells the stories of brave merchant
6 marines who served their country during that war, and

7 WHEREAS, Patrick D. Smith's other works include, The
8 River is Home, Forever Island, and A Land Remembered, and

9 WHEREAS, Patrick D. Smith's most recent work is The
10 Last Ride, which he co-wrote with Glen "Pee Wee" Mercer, about
11 a bull rider who was paralyzed in a bull-riding accident in
12 1995, and

13 WHEREAS, throughout his world travels, Patrick D. Smith
14 has always ably represented the residents of this state and
15 Brevard County, and

16 WHEREAS, Brevard County is proud to honor such an
17 outstanding member of its community by recognizing his hard
18 work, many accomplishments, and service to the people of the
19 great State of Florida, NOW, THEREFORE,

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21 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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23 Section 1. Patrick D. Smith Causeway designated;
24 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

25 (1) The portion of State Road 520 in Brevard County
26 which is between mile post 13.2 and mile post 15.3 and lies
27 approximately between the West Banana River and Cape Canaveral
28 Hospital is designated as the "Patrick D. Smith Causeway."

29 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to
30 erect suitable markers designating the Patrick D. Smith
31 Causeway as described in subsection (1).

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

SENATE SUMMARY

Designates a portion of State Road 520 in Brevard County as the "Patrick D. Smith Causeway." Provides for the erection of markers.