

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Baker

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to designations of state facilities;
3 designating the Major Claude A. Gnann Memorial Highway and
4 the Deputy Wayne Koester Memorial Highway in Lake County;
5 designating Lt. Colonel Robert T. Heagy, Jr., Memorial
6 Highway in Marion County; designating Cutler Bay
7 Boulevard, Palmetto Bay Boulevard, American Legion Way,
8 Honorable Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D., Boulevard, Father
9 Emilio Vallina Avenue, and Bishop Victor Tyrone Curry
10 Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; designating United States
11 Army Specialist Brandon Tyler Thorsen Memorial Highway in
12 Levy County; designating John E. Andrews Boulevard, George
13 Matthews Boulevard, Angela Webb Hammonds Boulevard, Willie
14 F. Faust Boulevard, and James H. Argrett, Sr., Avenue in
15 Duval County; designating Veteran's Memorial Parkway in
16 Sarasota County; designating a bridge in the city of
17 Sarasota as Gil Waters Bridge; directing the Department of
18 Transportation to erect suitable markers; designating the
19 Joseph P. Bertrand Building in Fort Myers; authorizing the
20 Department of Management Services to erect suitable
21 markers; amending s. 589.19, F.S.; designating the state
22 forest in Seminole County as the Charles H. Bronson State
23 Forest; providing an effective date.

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

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27 Section 1. Major Claude A. Gnann Memorial Highway
28 designated; Department of Transportation to erect suitable
29 markers.--

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30 (1) The portion of State Road 44 in Lake County from County
31 Road 46A east to the county line is designated as the "Major
32 Claude A. Gnann Memorial Highway."

33 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
34 suitable markers designating the Major Claude A. Gnann Memorial
35 Highway as described in subsection (1).

36 Section 2. Deputy Wayne Koester Memorial Highway
37 designated; Department of Transportation to erect suitable
38 markers.--

39 (1) The portion of State Road 44 in Lake County from County
40 Road 439 east to County Road 46A is designated as the "Deputy
41 Wayne Koester Memorial Highway."

42 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
43 suitable markers designating the Deputy Wayne Koester Memorial
44 Highway as described in subsection (1).

45 Section 3. Lt. Colonel Robert T. Heagy, Jr., Memorial
46 Highway designated; Department of Transportation to erect
47 suitable markers.--

48 (1) The portion of U.S. Highway 441 between County Road 318
49 and NW 193rd Street in Marion County is designated as the "Lt.
50 Colonel Robert T. Heagy, Jr., Memorial Highway."

51 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
52 suitable markers designating the Lt. Colonel Robert T. Heagy,
53 Jr., Memorial Highway, as described in subsection (1).

54 Section 4. Cutler Bay Boulevard designated; Department of
55 Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

56 (1) The portion of U.S. 1 in Miami-Dade County from S.W.
57 184th Street to S.W. 112th Avenue, inclusive, is designated as
58 "Cutler Bay Boulevard."

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59 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
60 suitable markers designating Cutler Bay Boulevard as described in
61 subsection (1).

62 Section 5. Palmetto Bay Boulevard designated; Department of
63 Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

64 (1) The portion of U.S. 1 in Miami-Dade County from S.W.
65 136th Street to S.W. 184th Street, inclusive, is designated as
66 "Palmetto Bay Boulevard."

67 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
68 suitable markers designating Palmetto Bay Boulevard as described
69 in subsection (1).

70 Section 6. American Legion Way designated; Department of
71 Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

72 (1) The portion of S.W. 59th Avenue in Miami-Dade County
73 from S.W. 80th Street to S.W. 72nd Street is designated as
74 "American Legion Way."

75 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
76 suitable markers designating American Legion Way as described in
77 subsection (1).

78 Section 7. Honorable Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D., Boulevard
79 designated; Department of Transportation to erect suitable
80 markers.--

81 (1) The portion of Opa-Locka Boulevard/N.W. 135th Street in
82 Miami-Dade County between N.W. 7th Avenue and N.W. 47th Avenue is
83 designated as "Honorable Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D., Boulevard."

84 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
85 suitable markers designating Honorable Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D.,
86 Boulevard as described in subsection (1).

87 Section 8. Father Emilio Vallina Avenue designated;

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88 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

89 (1) The portion of West Flagler Street in Miami-Dade County
90 between 13th Avenue and 14th Avenue is designated as "Father
91 Emilio Vallina Avenue."

92 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
93 suitable markers designating Father Emilio Vallina Avenue as
94 described in subsection (1).

95 Section 9. Bishop Victor Tyrone Curry Boulevard designated;
96 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

97 (1) The portion of N.W. 135th Street between 17th Avenue
98 and 27th Avenue in Miami-Dade County is designated as "Bishop
99 Victor Tyrone Curry Boulevard."

100 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
101 suitable markers designating Bishop Victor Tyrone Curry Boulevard
102 as described in subsection (1).

103 Section 10. United States Army Specialist Brandon Tyler
104 Thorsen Memorial Highway designated; Department of Transportation
105 to erect suitable markers.--

106 (1) The portion of U.S. Highway 19/98 (State Road 55) and
107 U.S. Alternate 27 (State Road 500) in Levy County in front of the
108 Chiefland High School is designated as "United States Army
109 Specialist Brandon Tyler Thorsen Memorial Highway."

110 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
111 suitable markers designating United States Army Specialist
112 Brandon Tyler Thorsen Memorial Highway as described in subsection
113 (1).

114 Section 11. John E. Andrews Boulevard designated; Department
115 of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

116 (1) The portion of Edgewood Avenue in Duval County between

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117 Beaver Street and Roosevelt Boulevard is designated as "John E.
118 Andrews Boulevard."

119 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
120 suitable markers designating John E. Andrews Boulevard as
121 described in subsection (1).

122 Section 12. George Matthews Boulevard designated;
123 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

124 (1) The portion of Wilson Boulevard in Duval County between
125 I-295 South and Old Middleburg Road is designated as "George
126 Matthews Boulevard."

127 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
128 suitable markers designating George Matthews Boulevard as
129 described in subsection (1).

130 Section 13. Angela Webb Hammonds Boulevard designated;
131 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

132 (1) The portion of New Kings Road in Duval County between
133 Davis Street and Myrtle Avenue is designated as "Angela Webb
134 Hammonds Boulevard."

135 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
136 suitable markers designating Angela Webb Hammonds Boulevard as
137 described in subsection (1).

138 Section 14. Willie F. Faust Boulevard designated;
139 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

140 (1) The portion of Martin Luther King, Jr., Boulevard in
141 Duval County between Myrtle Avenue and Moncrief Road is
142 designated as "Willie F. Faust Boulevard."

143 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
144 suitable markers designating Willie F. Faust Boulevard as
145 described in subsection (1).

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146 Section 15. James H. Argrett, Sr., Avenue designated;
147 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

148 (1) The portion of Edgewood Avenue West in Duval County
149 between Avenue B and Moncrief Road is designated as "James H.
150 Argrett, Sr., Avenue."

151 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
152 suitable markers designating James H. Argrett, Sr., Avenue as
153 described in subsection (1).

154 Section 16. Veteran's Memorial Parkway designated;
155 Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

156 (1) The portion of State Road 72 in Sarasota County from a
157 point immediately east of I-75 to the entrance of the National
158 Veterans Cemetery in Sarasota is designated as "Veteran's
159 Memorial Parkway."

160 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
161 suitable markers designating Veteran's Memorial Parkway as
162 described in subsection (1).

163 Section 17. Gil Waters Bridge designated; Department of
164 Transportation to erect suitable markers.--

165 (1) The portion of SR 789/GulfStream Avenue in Sarasota
166 between Sunset Drive and Bird Key Drive is designated as "Gil
167 Waters Bridge."

168 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
169 suitable markers designating Gil Waters Bridge as described in
170 subsection (1).

171 Section 18. Joseph P. Bertrand Building designated;
172 Department of Management Services to erect suitable markers.--

173 (1) The Regional Transportation Management Center in Fort
174 Myers is designated the "Joseph P. Bertrand Building".

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175 (2) The Department of Management Services may erect
176 suitable markers designating the "Joseph P. Bertrand Building" as
177 described in subsection (1).

178 Section 19. Section 589.19, Florida Statutes, is amended to
179 read:

180 589.19 Creation of certain state forests; naming of certain
181 state forests.--

182 (1) When the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement
183 Trust Fund, any state agency, or any agency created by state law,
184 authorized to accept reforestation lands in the name of the
185 state, approve the recommendations of the Division of Forestry in
186 reference to the acquisition of land and acquire such land, the
187 said board, state agency, or agency created by state law, may
188 formally designate and dedicate any area as a reforestation
189 project, or state forest, and where so designated and dedicated
190 such area shall be under the administration of the division which
191 shall be authorized to manage and administer said area according
192 to the purpose for which it was designated and dedicated.

193 (2) The first state forest acquired by the Board of
194 Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund in Baker County
195 is to be named the John M. Bethea State Forest. This is to honor
196 Mr. John M. Bethea who was Florida's fourth state forester and
197 whose distinguished career in state government spanned 46 years
198 and who is a native of Baker County.

199 (3) The state forest managed by the Division of Forestry in
200 Seminole County is to be named the Charles H. Bronson State
201 Forest to honor Charles H. Bronson, the tenth Commissioner of
202 Agriculture, for his distinguished contribution to this state's
203 agriculture and natural resources.

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Section 20. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.