

House Engrossed

state route 69; urge renaming

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A CONCURRENT MEMORIAL

URGING THE STATE BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC AND HISTORIC NAMES TO RENAME STATE
ROUTE 69.

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1 To the Chairperson of the State Board on Geographic and Historic Names:

2 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

3 Whereas, for generations, our nation's veterans have put their lives
4 on the line to protect our country and preserve our democracy, freedom and
5 civil rights; and

6 Whereas, State Route 69, currently named "Black Canyon Highway,"
7 runs from Interstate 17 to the City of Prescott and has a long history of
8 military use; and

9 Whereas, in 1864, State Route 69 was declared the first public road
10 in the new Arizona territory and was soon used by the United States Army
11 as part of its route from Fort Whipple to Fort McDowell; and

12 Whereas, it is the legislature's duty to preserve and honor the
13 legacy of our nation's veterans.

14 Wherefore your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the State of
15 Arizona, the Senate concurring, prays:

16 1. That the State Board on Geographic and Historic Names divide
17 State Route 69 into six equal sections and rename the six sections as
18 follows:

19 (a) World War I Veterans Memorial Highway.

20 (b) World War II Veterans Memorial Highway.

21 (c) Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway.

22 (d) Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Highway.

23 (e) Desert Storm Veterans Memorial Highway.

24 (f) Iraq and Afghanistan War Veterans Memorial Highway.

25 2. That the Secretary of State transmit a copy of this Memorial to
26 the Chairperson of the State Board on Geographic and Historic Names.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE FEBRUARY 23, 2026.

PASSED BY THE SENATE APRIL 15, 2026.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 16, 2026.