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By Representatives Morris, Gardner and Kessler

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1 TO THE HONORABLE SID MORRISON, SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, AND TO  
2 THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, AND TO THE WASHINGTON  
3 STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

4 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of  
5 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully  
6 represent and petition as follows:

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Paul Luvera, Sr. (3/25/1898 - 11/4/90) spent a  
8 lifetime effort towards the betterment of the city of Anacortes and its  
9 citizens; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Paul Luvera, Sr.'s life was dedicated to public  
11 service, which included serving as President of numerous civic  
12 organizations such as the Anacortes Merchants' Association and Chamber  
13 of Commerce and chairing numerous civic committees including various  
14 relief funds during the depression, the Anacortes Transportation  
15 Committee, and the Cascade Highway Promotion effort; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Paul Luvera, Sr. served as a Washington State Senator  
17 from 1953 through 1957, during which time he secured funding for the  
18 construction of the segment of State Route 20 that stretches from the  
19 south end of Commercial Avenue in the city of Anacortes to the  
20 Deception Pass/Whidbey Island Junction; and

1       WHEREAS, Upon completion of the newly constructed segment of State  
2 Route 20 in August 1958, the Chairman of the then Washington State  
3 Highway Commission, Lewis B. Wallace, stated in his dedication speech:  
4 "You (Mr. Luvera) have done more towards spearheading this road than  
5 any other individual. And credit should be given to you. When this  
6 highway is completely finished, it will be a credit to the state and  
7 your community."

8       NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the  
9 Washington State Transportation Commission commence proceedings to name  
10 the segment of State Route 20 starting at the south end of Commercial  
11 Avenue in the city of Anacortes and ending at the Deception  
12 Pass/Whidbey Island junction the "Paul N. Luvera, Sr. Memorial  
13 Highway."

14       BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
15 transmitted to the Honorable Sid Morrison, Secretary of Transportation,  
16 The Washington State Transportation Commission, and the Washington  
17 State Department of Transportation.

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