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By Senators Berkey, Schmidt, Carrell, Mulliken, Rockefeller, Shin, Pridemore, Rasmussen, Kohl-Welles, Delvin, McAuliffe, Weinstein, Prentice, Fairley, Thibaudeau, Kline, Keiser and Roach

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1            TO THE HONORABLE DOUGLAS B. MACDONALD, SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION,  
2            AND TO THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, AND TO THE  
3            WASHINGTON 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, The Washington National Guard has served Washington and  
8            this nation in war and in peace since 1885; and

9            WHEREAS, The Washington National Guard served during World War I  
10           and World War II; and

11           WHEREAS, In 1980 Washington National Guard members were involved in  
12           support and recovery during the eruption of Mount St. Helens; and

13           WHEREAS, In 1990-1991, the Washington National Guard was involved  
14           in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm; and

15           WHEREAS, In 1997-2000, Washington National Guard members were  
16           deployed to Bosnia, Kosovo, and Macedonia as part of Operation Joint  
17           Guardian; and

18           WHEREAS, As a state agency, the Washington National Guard protects  
19           citizens, their property, and the environment; and

1       WHEREAS, The Washington National Guard assists emergency responders  
2 on search and rescue operations, wildfire mobilizations, and in other  
3 emergency situations; and

4       WHEREAS, The Washington National Guard provides trained military  
5 units for national defense; and

6       WHEREAS, Currently Washington National Guard men and women are  
7 deployed across the nation and in ten other countries; and

8       WHEREAS, The citizens of Washington are grateful and extremely  
9 proud of the services of the Washington National Guard; and

10       WHEREAS, Thousands of Washingtonians have served or are currently  
11 serving with the Washington National Guard and deserve recognition for  
12 their accomplishments in serving this state and the country;

13       NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the  
14 Washington State Transportation Commission commence proceedings to name  
15 State Route Number 2 from the City of Everett to the eastern border of  
16 Washington State, a distance of 326 miles, the "Washington National  
17 Guard Highway," and to erect appropriate signs at key locations and  
18 major interchanges indicating to the traveling public the name of the  
19 highway.

20       BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
21 transmitted to the Honorable Douglas B. Macdonald, Secretary of  
22 Transportation, and to the Washington State Transportation Commission,  
23 and to the Washington State Department of Transportation.

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