

Senate Bill 478

Sponsored by Senator HANSELL (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Provides that portion of Oregon Highway 82 shall be known as Deputy Raymond Williams and Deputy Michael Cheney Memorial Highway.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to memorial highways.

3 Whereas on November 5, 1980, Union County Deputies Raymond Williams and Michael Lynn
4 Cheney were killed in the line of duty in their service vehicle while returning from a search and
5 rescue mission; and

6 Whereas Deputies Williams and Cheney were traveling south on Oregon Highway 82 near Elgin,
7 Oregon, when they were hit head-on by a driver who was impaired by intoxication from alcohol; and

8 Whereas Deputy Williams was 33 years old when he died and had been with the Union County
9 Sheriff's Office for five years; and

10 Whereas Deputy Williams was survived by his wife, son and daughter; and

11 Whereas Deputy Cheney was 38 years old when he died and was on his 14th day of service with
12 the Union County Sheriff's Office, after previously serving with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office;
13 and

14 Whereas Deputy Cheney was survived by his two daughters, parents and siblings; and

15 Whereas designating a portion of Oregon Highway 82 as a memorial highway to Deputies
16 Williams and Cheney will honor their service to benefit the lives of others and the ultimate sacrifice
17 they made in the line of duty, while also paying respect to the families they left behind; and

18 Whereas a memorial highway to Deputies Williams and Cheney acknowledges the thousands of
19 law enforcement officers in the State of Oregon who are currently serving in harm's way to protect
20 our safety and peace; and

21 Whereas designating the portion of Oregon Highway 82 between mileposts 18 and 25 as the
22 Deputy Raymond Williams and Deputy Michael Cheney Memorial Highway will neither change ex-
23 isting designations of Oregon Highway 82 nor require maps to be changed; now, therefore,

24 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

25 **SECTION 1. (1) The portion of Oregon Highway 82 between mileposts 18 and 25 shall also**
26 **be known as the Deputy Raymond Williams and Deputy Michael Cheney Memorial Highway.**

27 **(2) The Department of Transportation shall place and maintain suitable markers along**
28 **the highway described in this section that indicate the designation of the highway as the**
29 **Deputy Raymond Williams and Deputy Michael Cheney Memorial Highway.**
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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.