

# PROTECTED DRAFT

Representative Christopher N. Herrod proposes the following substitute bill:

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING VETERANS

### MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

2012 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Christopher N. Herrod**

Senate Sponsor: John L. Valentine

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#### LONG TITLE

##### General Description:

This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor recognizes that the official name of Interstate 15 in the state of Utah is The Veterans Memorial Highway and urges greater appreciation of the lasting contribution of the nation's veterans.

##### Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ urges all appropriate civil education organizations to promote greater understanding and awareness that the official name of Interstate 15 in the state of Utah is The Veterans Memorial Highway;
- ▶ recognizes the importance of educating Utah's citizens regarding the reasons that the Legislature is re-dedicating Interstate 15 as The Veterans Memorial Highway; and
- ▶ encourages media outlets that operate within the state of Utah to devote resources to communicating this resolution so that as many veterans as possible know of this expression of gratitude and respect and that bi-partisanship and civility can win the day, even in contentious times.

##### Special Clauses:

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

WHEREAS, every citizen of Utah has responsibilities as a citizen of the Republic;

WHEREAS, Utah's Veterans exemplify the fulfillment of these civic responsibilities by their service and sacrifices in the cause of Freedom;

WHEREAS, the Legislature and the Governor acknowledge the debt society owes to veterans who purchased, with their blood, our enjoyment of liberty and self-government;

WHEREAS, the Legislature and the Governor desire that Utahns understand that veterans of every generation and conflict deserve our gratitude and respect as they have defended our sacred values of freedom and justice;

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor, veterans, business owners, citizens, students, and teachers realize the importance of compromise in reconciling competing interests in a diverse society;

WHEREAS, Utah has a great opportunity to demonstrate to America a working, bipartisan program honoring Veterans;

WHEREAS, Utah legislators can impart greater understanding of the necessity for debate, negotiation, and compromise in the legislative process, to develop effective public policy and to engage future voters and leaders in a dialogue regarding the value of representative democracy;

WHEREAS, this concurrent resolution seeks to reintegrate veterans back into civilian life, instill the values of representative democracy, strengthen the democratic process, and encourage Americans everywhere to play a responsible role in their government; and

WHEREAS, Utah legislators can amplify and recommit the state to honoring veterans as did the 1988 Legislature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, urge all appropriate civic education organizations to promote greater understanding and awareness that the official name of Interstate 15 in the state of Utah is The Veterans Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor recognize the importance of educating Utah's citizens regarding the reasons for re-dedicating Interstate 15 as The Veterans Memorial Highway.

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58 outlets that operate within the state of Utah to devote resources to communicating this  
59 resolution so that as many veterans as possible know of this expression of gratitude and respect  
60 and that bi-partisanship and civility can win the day, even in contentious times.

61 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the major media  
62 outlets that operate within the State of Utah.