BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 4211 seeks to designate State Highway Loop 480 in Maverick County as Loop JUNO. This designation stems from the distinguished members of the community Noe Tinajero and Julissa Maria Nevarez. The acronym stands for the first two letters of Julissa and Noe's first name.

Noe Tinajero was an admired businessman, community leader, husband, father, and son with an untimely passing on March 6, 2017. Mr. Tinajero, a trusted pharmacist in the community, was known for his genuine commitment to his customers and their medical needs. Additionally, he was involved in a number of local nonprofit groups and organizations, and he was named Professional of the Year by the Eagle Pass Business Journal. Julissa Maria Nevarez taught at local public schools for many years and was well-liked by her students and highly regarded as an outstanding teacher by her peers, administrators, and parents. Julissa passed away on October 16, 2017.

H.B. 4211 amends current law relating to the designation of State Highway Loop 480 in Maverick County as Loop JUNO.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, by adding Section 225.152, as follows:

Sec. 225.152. LOOP JUNO. (a) Provides that State Highway Loop 480 in Maverick County is designated as Loop JUNO.

- (b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), subject to Section 225.021(c) (relating to prohibiting TxDOT from designing, constructing, or erecting a marker unless a grant or donation of funds is made to cover the cost), to:
 - (1) design and construct markers indicating the designation as Loop JUNO and any other appropriate information; and
 - (2) erect a marker at each end of the loop and at appropriate intermediate sites along the loop.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.