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By:  Hefner H.B. No. 3642

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the designation of portions of the state highway system as memorial highways and bridges.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Sections 225.243, 225.244, and 225.245 to read as follows:

Sec. 225.243.  PETTY OFFICER BILLY MACHEN BRIDGE. (a) The Farm-to-Market Road 852 bridge crossing Lake Gilmer in Upshur County is designated as the Petty Officer Billy Machen Bridge. The designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b)  Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

(1)  design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Petty Officer Billy Machen Bridge and any other appropriate information; and

(2)  erect a marker at each end of the bridge.

Sec. 225.244.  MOLLY MULLENS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a)  The portion of U.S. Highway 287 in Wilbarger County between its intersection with County Road 111 and County Road 132 East is designated as the Molly Mullens Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b)  Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

(1)  design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Molly Mullens Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information; and

(2)  erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

Sec. 225.245.  TROOPER KEVIN RAMIREZ VASQUEZ MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) The portion of State Highway 302 in Ector County between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 2019 and the Ector-Winkler County line is designated as the Trooper Kevin Ramirez Vasquez Memorial Highway.

(b)  Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

(1)  design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Trooper Kevin Ramirez Vasquez Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information; and

(2)  erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2.  It is the intent of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, that the provisions added by this Act be renumbered to prevent multiple provisions with the same designation.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.