

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Be Adopted
Vote: 4 - 0 - 1
Yeas: Cowan, Schaufler, Scott, Barker
Nays: 0
Exc.: Boquist
Prepared By: Jim Keller, Administrator
Meeting Dates: 5/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Designates the Sunday before Veterans Day as Blue Star Memorial Highway Day to recognize and honor veterans and their families.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of the Blue Star Memorial Highway
- Markers maintained by volunteers

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Blue Star Memorial Program was established in the early 1940s. The blue star emblem was derived from World War II banners that families with active duty military service members displayed. A Gold Star was displayed to signify families of veterans who had lost their lives in service. Interstate 205 was officially named the Veterans Memorial Highway on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2000, and became part of the Blue Star Memorial Highway system. The Blue Star Highway System signage on the highway is already in place. A convoy travels the full length of I-205, beginning at the Clark County Fairgrounds, on the Sunday before Veteran's Day to begin the holiday observance and raise awareness of the highway named in honor of all veterans.