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- Reps.** Kelly and Dever, Antani, Antonio, Ashford, Blessing, Boccieri, Brinkman, Craig, Goodman, Hughes, Ingram, Leland, Ramos, Reece, Retherford, Riedel, Rogers, Romanchuk, Seitz, K. Smith, Sweeney, Thompson, West, Green, Greenspan, Sheehy, Householder, Johnson, Lepore-Hagan, Manning, Anielski, Barnes, Boggs, Boyd, Brenner, Brown, Butler, Celebrezze, Clyde, DeVitis, Faber, Fedor, Galonski, Gavarone, Ginter, Hagan, Henne, Hill, Holmes, Howse, Kent, Landis, Lanese, LaTourette, Lipps, McClain, Miller, O'Brien, Patterson, Patton, Perales, Ryan, Schaffer, Slaby, Sprague, Strahorn, Sykes, Young, Zeltwanger
- Sens.** Schiavoni, Brown, LaRose, Manning, Tavares, Uecker, Kunze, Hottinger, Balderson, Beagle, Burke, Coley, Dolan, Gardner, Hackett, Hoagland, Lehner, McColley, Obhof, O'Brien, Peterson, Sykes, Terhar, Thomas, Wilson, Yuko

Effective date: November 2, 2018

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The act designates the following highways for military personnel who were killed in action and emergency personnel who died in the line of duty. It authorizes the Director of Transportation to erect suitable markers along the highways indicating their names:

* This version updates the effective date.

Designated Name	Highway	Biographical Information
"Lieutenant Michael J. Lutz Memorial Highway" ¹	The portion of State Route (SR) 60, running in a northerly and southerly direction, between the intersections of County Road 97 and the southern boundary of Zanesville, in Muskingum County.	Lieutenant Michael J. Lutz was killed in the line of duty on July 12, 1994, while fighting with a burglary suspect. Lieutenant Lutz served the Muskingum County Sheriff's Department for 16 years.
"Deputy Sheriff Robert M. Tanner, Jr. Memorial Highway" ²	The portion of SR 146, running in a northwesterly and southeasterly direction, between the intersections of Musselman Drive and Shannon Valley Road, in Muskingum County.	Deputy Sheriff Robert M. Tanner, Jr., was killed in the line of duty on January 8, 2002, after being flagged down and then shot. Deputy Tanner served the Muskingum County Sheriff's Department for 8 years.
"Firefighter/Paramedic Patrick Wolterman Memorial Highway" ³	The portion of SR 4, running in a northerly and southerly direction, between the intersections of North Fair Avenue and SR 129, in Butler County.	Patrick Wolterman, a firefighter and paramedic, died on December 28, 2015, battling a fire at a home in Hamilton, Ohio.
"Officers Anthony Morelli and Eric Joering Memorial Highway" ⁴	The eastbound and westbound lanes of Interstate Route (IR) 270 between the intersections of SR 3 and Cleveland Avenue, in Franklin County.	Westerville police officers Anthony Morelli and Eric Joering were killed in the line of duty while responding to a 911 call on February 10, 2018. Officer Morelli was a 29-year veteran of the Westerville Police Department, and Officer Joering served the Department for 16 years.

¹ R.C. 5534.401.

² R.C. 5534.402.

³ R.C. 5534.404.

⁴ R.C. 5534.405.

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"Patrolman Dane L. Rowe Memorial Highway" ⁵	The portion of SR 317, running in a northerly and southerly direction, between the intersections of Gerling Boulevard and Wingate Road, in Madison Township, in Franklin County.	Patrolman Dane L. Rowe was serving the Madison Township Police Department on November 4, 1988, when he was struck by a motor vehicle while clearing an accident scene. He died the following day from his injuries.
"Officer Sonny L. Kim Memorial Highway" ⁶	The northbound and southbound lanes of IR 71 between the Dana Avenue exit and the Montgomery Road exit, in Hamilton County.	Officer Sonny L. Kim was killed in the line of duty on June 19, 2015, while responding to a 911 call that was placed by a man who intended to commit "suicide by cop." Officer Kim served the Cincinnati Police Department for 27 years.
"Kirkersville Chief Steven "Eric" DiSario Memorial Highway" ⁷	The eastbound and westbound lanes of U.S. Route 40 within the Village of Kirkersville only, in Licking County.	Chief Steven "Eric" DiSario was the Kirkersville police chief and was killed in the line of duty when a gunman opened fire behind a nursing home in Kirkersville.
"PFC Oscar F. Nicewander Memorial Highway" ⁸	The portion of SR 93, running in a northeasterly and southwesterly direction, between the intersections of SR 516 and Sunset Boulevard Road NW, in Tuscarawas County.	PFC Oscar F. Nicewander was killed in action on March 20, 1967, in Vietnam, while serving with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

⁵ R.C. 5534.481.

⁶ R.C. 5534.492.

⁷ R.C. 5534.493.

⁸ R.C. 5534.751.

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"Marine Sgt. David R. Christoff Memorial Highway" ⁹	The northbound and southbound lanes of SR 65 between the intersections of Elm Street and Rosedale Place, in the municipal corporation of Rossford, in Wood County.	Marine Sgt. David R. Christoff was killed in action by a roadside bomb in Anbar Province, Iraq, on May 24, 2006, during his second deployment to that country.
"Cpl. Jerry Robert Spitler Memorial Highway" ¹⁰	The portion of SR 520, running in an easterly and westerly direction, between the intersections of SR 514 and U.S. Route 62, in Holmes County.	Cpl. Jerry Robert Spitler was killed in action on July 12, 1967, in Vietnam, while serving with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.
"Army Cpt. Stephen J. Chaney Memorial Highway" ¹¹	The portion of SR 4, running in a southwesterly and northeasterly direction, between the intersections of Barks Road West and Gooding Road, in Marion County.	Cpt. Stephen J. Chaney was killed in action on September 23, 1969, in Vietnam, while serving with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He was posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal.
"PFC Marc L. Cole Memorial Highway" ¹²	The portion of SR 55, running in an easterly and westerly direction, between the intersections of SR 571 and SR 48, in Miami County.	PFC Marc L. Cole was killed in the terrorist bombing of the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut, Lebanon, on October 23, 1983.

⁹ R.C. 5534.77.

¹⁰ R.C. 5534.809.

¹¹ R.C. 5534.815.

¹² R.C. 5534.85.

Designated Name	Highway	Biographical Information
"Pvt. David Rhoades Memorial Highway" ¹³	The northbound and southbound lanes of SR 164, within the municipal corporation of Bergholz.	Pvt. David Rhoades was killed in action on March 16, 1967, in Vietnam, while serving with the U.S. Marine Corps during the Vietnam War.
"First Lt. Harry L. Martin Memorial Highway" ¹⁴	The portion of U.S. Route 30, running in an easterly and westerly direction, between the intersections of SR 231 and SR 598, in Wyandot and Crawford counties.	First Lt. Harry L. Martin was a U.S. Marine Corps officer who was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for service and heroism during the Battle of Iwo Jima in 1945.
"Army Staff Sgt. Dennis J. Hansen Memorial Highway" ¹⁵	The northbound and southbound lanes of U.S. Route 33 between the intersections of McCalla Road and Township Road 99, in Logan County.	Staff Sgt. Dennis J. Hansen died on December 5, 2009, from wounds sustained from a roadside bomb in Logar province, Afghanistan, while serving in Operation Enduring Freedom.
"Army National Guard Sgt. Jeremy M. Hodge Memorial Highway" ¹⁶	The northbound and southbound lanes of U.S. Route 33 between the intersections of Township Road 99 and County Road 130, in Logan County.	Sgt. Jeremy M. Hodge was killed in action on October 10, 2005, in Baghdad, Iraq when an IED detonated near his vehicle.
"Marine Gunnery Sgt. David S. Spicer Memorial Highway" ¹⁷	The northbound and southbound lanes of U.S. Route 33 between the intersections of East Sandusky Avenue and County Road 5, in Logan County.	Marine Gunnery Sgt. David S. Spicer died on July 13, 2009, while supporting combat operations in Dehli, Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom.

¹³ R.C. 5534.891.

¹⁴ R.C. 5534.892.

¹⁵ R.C. 5534.893.

¹⁶ R.C. 5534.894.

¹⁷ R.C. 5534.895.



HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	09-19-17
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Recommitted, S. Transportation, Commerce & Workforce	06-19-18
Re-reported, S. Transportation, Commerce & Workforce	06-27-18
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