

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: July 2, 2019

Consent
 Ordinance

Regular
 Public Hearing

Department: Administration

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to: approve a Resolution supporting the construction of two honorary designation markers on S.R. 91/Florida's Turnpike between mile marker 100 and mile marker 105 in honor of fallen troopers, Herman T. Morris and Frederick J. Groves, Jr.

Summary: On June 4, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners authorized a recommendation by Vice Mayor Kerner to support a Resolution, to construct honorary designation markers for Herman T. Morris and Frederick J. Groves, Jr. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), per the passage of House Bill 385 during the 2019 legislative session, has been directed to construct two markers designating the portion of S.R. 91/Florida's Turnpike between mile marker 100 and mile marker 105 (Roadway) as "Troopers Herman T. Morris and Frederick J. Groves, Jr. Memorial Highway". State law requires the local governing board to pass a resolution in this circumstance in order for designation markers to be constructed on roads in the county. The roadway is within FDOT's jurisdictional limits, and FDOT will be responsible for the design, construction, and maintenance of the honorary designation. Countywide (AH)

Background and Justification: On March 16, 1972, Trooper Herman T. Morris was on routine patrol in West Palm Beach, when another vehicle forced his cruiser into a bridge railing. Trooper Morris had served the residents of Florida, with the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), for three years. His career with FHP began August 11, 1969. He was in the 36th recruit class in Tallahassee, from September 1 to November 22, 1969. He was stationed in Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach. At the time of his death, he was 27. He was survived by his wife, Brenda, and two sons. End of Watch: Thursday, March 16, 1972. On September 15, 1984, Trooper Frederick J. Groves, Jr. was shot during a routine traffic stop on the Turnpike in Palm Beach County. The vehicle was loaded with marijuana and four subjects were subsequently apprehended. Trooper Groves served the residents of Florida, with the Florida Highway Patrol, for 14 years. His career with FHP began October 1, 1970. He was in the 38th class in Tallahassee, from January 10 to April 3, 1971. He was stationed in West Palm Beach. At the time of his death, he was 41. He was survived by a wife, Sandy, and two children. End of Watch: Tuesday, September 18, 1984.

Attachments:

- 1.Resolution

Recommended by: _____

N/A

Department Director

Date

Approved By: _____

W. J. Blum

Assistant County Administrator

6/28/19

Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years					
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs					
External Revenues					
Program Income(County)					
In-Kind Match(County)					
NET FISCAL IMPACT					
#ADDITIONAL FTE					
POSITIONS (CUMULATIVE)					

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes No
 Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes No

Budget Account No:

Fund Agency Organization Object

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

C. Departmental Fiscal Review:

III. REVIEW COMMENTS:

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

Robert Lewis 6/25/19
 6/24 OFMB (ZM) 6/24

John D. Jacobson 6/26/19
 Contract Dev. & Control

B. Legal Sufficiency

Anne Delgent 6-27-19
 Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review

 Department Director

(THIS SUMMARY IS NOT TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR PAYMENT.)

Resolution No. 2019-

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC) OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO HONORARY DESIGNATION MARKERS ON S.R. 91/FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE BETWEEN MILE MARKER 100 AND MILE MARKER 105 IN HONOR OF FALLEN TROOPERS, HERMAN T. MORRIS AND FREDERICK J. GROVES, JR.; RECOGNIZING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AS THE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESIGNATION MARKERS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, On March 16, 1972, Trooper Herman T. Morris was on routine patrol in West Palm Beach, when another vehicle forced his cruiser into a bridge railing. Trooper Morris had served the residents of Florida, with the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), for three years. His career with FHP began August 11, 1969. He was in the 36th recruit class in Tallahassee, from September 1 to November 22, 1969. He was stationed in Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach. At the time of his death, he was 27. He was survived by his wife, Brenda, and two sons. End of Watch: Thursday, March 16, 1972; and

WHEREAS, On September 15, 1984, Trooper Frederick J. Groves, Jr. was shot during a routine traffic stop on the Turnpike in Palm Beach County. The vehicle was loaded with marijuana and four subjects were subsequently apprehended. Trooper Groves served the residents of Florida, with the Florida Highway Patrol, for 14 years. His career with FHP began October 1, 1970. He was in the 38th class in Tallahassee, from January 10 to April 3, 1971. He was stationed in West Palm Beach. At the time of his death, he was 41. He was survived by a wife, Sandy, and two children. End of Watch: Tuesday, September 18, 1984.

WHEREAS, Chapter 2018-161, Laws of Florida, provides for the construction of honorary designations of certain transportation facilities in specified counties and directs the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to construct suitable markers; and

WHEREAS, FDOT has been directed to construct two markers designating the portion of S.R. 91/Florida's Turnpike between mile marker 100 and mile marker 105 (Roadway) as "Troopers Herman T. Morris and Frederick J. Groves, Jr. Memorial Highway"; and

WHEREAS, the roadway is within FDOT's jurisdictional limits, and FDOT will be responsible for the design, construction, and maintenance of the honorary designation markers; and

WHEREAS, Section 334.071(3), Florida Statutes, requires that the appropriate city or county commission pass a resolution in support of any proposed honorary designation markers prior to their construction; and

WHEREAS, the Roadway where the proposed honorary designation will be constructed lies within Palm Beach County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are true and correct and are made part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida (Board), recognizes FDOT as the agency responsible for the design, construction, and maintenance of the honorary designation markers.

Section 3. The Board supports this Resolution.

Section 4. SEVERABILITY.

If any portion of the Resolution is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid portion shall be stricken, and such striking shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Resolution. If any court determines that this Resolution, or any portion hereof, cannot be legally applied to any individual(s), group(s), entity(ies), property(ies), or circumstance(s), such determination shall not affect the applicability hereof to any other individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

- MACK BERNARD, Mayor -
- DAVID KERNER, Vice Mayor -
- COMMISSIONER HAL R. VALECHE -
- COMMISSIONER GREGG K. WEISS -
- COMMISSIONER ROBERT S. WEINROTH -
- COMMISSIONER MARY LOU BERGER -
- COMMISSIONER MELISSA MCKINLAY -

The Mayor thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted on this _____ day of _____, 2019.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SHARON R. BOCK, CLERK

BY: Anne Helfant
Anne Helfant
Assistant County Attorney

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk