

**HOUSE CONCURRENT  
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**DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION**

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2        Department of Transportation to rename that portion of State  
3        Highway 558 between U.S. Highway 231 and the Northwest  
4        Gate of Naval Support Activity Crane the "Commodore Crane  
5        Highway".

6        *Whereas, In 1941, the United States Congress enacted the  
7        first National Defense Appropriation Act, authorizing funding  
8        for new inland ammunition production facilities to support the  
9        national defense;*

10       *Whereas, Pursuant to that Act, the Naval Ammunition Depot,  
11       Burns City, Indiana, was established as an inland ammunition  
12       production facility due to its remote location, suitable terrain,  
13       and access to critical transportation, utilities, and  
14       infrastructure;*

15       *Whereas, In May 1943, the depot was renamed the Naval  
16       Ammunition Depot, Crane, in honor of Commodore William  
17       Montgomery Crane, the United States Navy's first Chief of the  
18       Bureau of Ordnance, for whom the installation continues to be  
19       named;*

20       *Whereas, Following World War II, Crane evolved into a  
21       multi-mission defense installation supporting advanced  
22       engineering, electronics, logistics, ammunition, and weapons  
23       systems critical to national security;*

24       *Whereas, Today, Naval Support Activity Crane, the  
25       third-largest naval installation in the world, is home to multiple*



1       *major military commands, including the Naval Surface Warfare  
2       Center, Crane Division, and the Crane Army Ammunition  
3       Activity, which together, with other tenant commands, are  
4       known collectively as Team Crane;*

5       *Whereas, Team Crane provides global support to the United  
6       States Navy, Army, and joint war-fighting missions and  
7       represents one of Indiana's most significant strategic,  
8       economic, and national security assets;*

9       *Whereas, Local and state leaders recognize the importance of  
10      visibly demonstrating Indiana's support for Naval Support  
11      Activity Crane and all of its tenant commands;*

12      *Whereas, Renaming the portion of State Highway 558  
13      between U.S. Highway 231 and the Northwest Gate of Naval  
14      Support Activity Crane as the "Commodore Crane Highway"  
15      honors the individual for whom the installation is named,  
16      improves identification and wayfinding, and increases public  
17      awareness of the installation and its mission; and*

18      *Whereas, Such recognition underscores Indiana's  
19      commitment to supporting Naval Support Activity Crane, its  
20      workforce, and its tenant command. It strengthens the  
21      demonstration of local and state support critical to the  
22      installation's continued success and future mission  
23      responsibilities: Therefore,*

24                   *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
25                   of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
26                   the Senate concurring:*

27      SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the  
28      Indiana Department of Transportation to rename that portion of  
29      State Highway 558 between U.S. Highway 231 and the  
30      Northwest Gate of Naval Support Activity Crane the  
31      "Commodore Crane Highway".

32      SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
33      Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the  
34      Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Transportation.

