CONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS ACR 112 (Bigelow) As Amended July 30, 2020 Majority vote

SUMMARY:

Designates a portion of State Route (SR) 120 in Mono County as the "Chiura Obata Great Nature Memorial Highway."

The Senate Amendments:

Slightly adjust the location of the designated portion of SR 120.

COMMENTS:

Specifically, this resolution:

- 1) Recounts the life and accomplishments of Chiura Obata, a Japanese artist whose life and work have been celebrated and exhibited throughout the world, and whose legacy in connection to our National Parks remains an inspiration for all Californians.
- 2) Designates the portion of SR 120 in Mono County as the "Chiura Obata Great Nature Memorial Highway."
- 3) Requests that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing the special designation and, upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

According to the Author:

"This measure is a tremendous opportunity to honor a painter known for his beautiful artwork of Yosemite and the Sierra Nevada. I consider myself very fortunate to represent such a beautiful Assembly District, which is depicted in much of his work. Recognizing him with a highway memorial resolution on Highway 120 will provide those who honor his memory the opportunity to do so as they enter a part of the state that he loved very much."

Arguments in Support:

Many organizations and individuals writing in support of this measure conclude, "At this time when we are experiencing so much racism, it is important that we honor someone that has promoted beautiful artwork of nature. Through his art, the beauty and love of places depicted by Mr. Obata should receive recognition."

Arguments in Opposition:

None on file

FISCAL COMMENTS:

Unknown, but the measure requests that Caltrans only erect the appropriate signage upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering the cost.

VOTES:

ASM TRANSPORTATION: 14-0-1

YES: Frazier, Fong, Aguiar-Curry, Berman, Bigelow, Chu, Daly, Diep, Friedman, Gipson,

Grayson, Medina, Nazarian, O'Donnell **ABS, ABST OR NV:** Cunningham

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: 75-0-4

YES: Aguiar-Curry, Arambula, Bauer-Kahan, Berman, Bigelow, Bloom, Boerner Horvath, Bonta, Brough, Burke, Calderon, Carrillo, Cervantes, Chau, Chen, Chiu, Choi, Chu, Cooley, Cooper, Cunningham, Daly, Eggman, Flora, Fong, Frazier, Friedman, Gabriel, Gallagher, Cristina Garcia, Eduardo Garcia, Gipson, Gloria, Gonzalez, Gray, Grayson, Holden, Irwin, Jones-Sawyer, Kamlager-Dove, Kiley, Lackey, Levine, Limón, Low, Maienschein, Mathis, Mayes, Melendez, Mullin, Muratsuchi, Nazarian, O'Donnell, Obernolte, Patterson, Petrie-Norris, Quirk, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Reyes, Luz Rivas, Robert Rivas, Rodriguez, Blanca Rubio, Salas, Santiago, Smith, Mark Stone, Ting, Voepel, Waldron, Weber, Wicks, Wood, Rendon ABS, ABST OR NV: Diep, Kalra, McCarty, Medina

SENATE FLOOR: 38-0-2

YES: Allen, Archuleta, Atkins, Bates, Beall, Borgeas, Bradford, Caballero, Chang, Dahle, Dodd, Durazo, Galgiani, Glazer, Lena Gonzalez, Grove, Hertzberg, Hill, Hueso, Hurtado, Jackson, Leyva, McGuire, Melendez, Mitchell, Monning, Moorlach, Morrell, Nielsen, Pan, Portantino, Roth, Rubio, Stern, Umberg, Wieckowski, Wiener, Wilk

ABS, ABST OR NV: Jones, Skinner

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