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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Senator Jim Beall, Chair

2019 - 2020 Regular

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**Bill No:** ACR 165

**Hearing Date:** 8/4/2020

**Author:** Ting

**Version:** 2/11/2020

**Urgency:** No

**Fiscal:** Yes

**Consultant:** Amy Gilson

**SUBJECT:** Alice Peña Bulos Memorial Highway

**DIGEST:** This resolution designates the portion of State Route 35 that runs through the City of Daly City in the County of San Mateo as the Alice Peña Bulos Memorial Highway.

### ANALYSIS:

The committee has adopted a policy regarding the naming of state highways or structures. Under the policy, the committee will consider only those resolutions that meet all of the following criteria:

- 1) The person being honored must have provided extraordinary public service or some exemplary contribution to the public good and have a connection to the community where the highway or structure is located.
- 2) The person being honored must be deceased.
- 3) The naming must be done without cost to the state. Costs for signs and plaques must be paid by local or private sources.
- 4) The author or co-author of the resolution must represent the district in which the facility is located, and the resolution must identify the specific highway segment or structure being named.
- 5) The segment of highway being named must not exceed five miles in length.
- 6) The proposed designation must reflect a community consensus and be without local opposition.

- 7) The proposed designation may not supersede an existing designation unless the sponsor can document that a good faith effort has uncovered no opposition to rescinding the prior designation.

This resolution designates the portion of State Route 35 that runs through the City of Daly City in the County of San Mateo from postmile 27.09 to postmile 31.061 as the Alice Peña Bulos Memorial Highway. It requests that the Department of Transportation to erect appropriate signs upon receiving sufficient donations from non-state sources to cover the costs.

### COMMENTS:

- 1) *Purpose.* According to the author, “For the past forty years, Alice Bulos had been a constant source of inspiration and mobilization for many Filipino Americans, gaining the title of the ‘Godmother of Filipino American Politics and Empowerment.’ She held many local, state, and federal positions throughout her lifetime and led the way for three generations of Asian and Pacific Islander public servants. She passed away on October 21, 2016 and her legacy is carried by her family and the many friends and supporters she inspired over the years. In honor of her service, ACR 165 would memorialize part of State Route 35 as the Alicia Peña Bulos Memorial Highway.”
- 2) *Background.* Alice Peña Bulos was a Professor of Sociology and later chairperson of the Department of Sociology at the University of Santo Tomas before moving to Sacramento, California, in 1977 to pursue a career as an employment counselor at the California Educational Theatre Association. She served in numerous leadership position, including on the National Council on Aging and State Chair of the Filipino American Caucus of the California Democratic Party. She was honored as Woman Warrior of the Year by the Pacific Asian Women Bay Area Coalition and inducted into the County of San Mateo’s Women’s Hall of Fame in 1988.

**FISCAL EFFECT:** Appropriation:      Fiscal Com.: Yes      Local:

**POSITIONS:** (Communicated to the committee before noon on Monday, July 27.)

### SUPPORT:

City of Daly City

**OPPOSITION:**

None received.

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