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**HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 18**  
**45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001**  
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**A JOINT MEMORIAL**  
**REQUESTING THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO DESIGNATE UNITED**  
**STATES HIGHWAY 70 FROM LAS CRUCES TO ALAMOGORDO AS BATAAN**  
**MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.**

**WHEREAS, many soldiers who were forced to make the Bataan**  
**death march in the Philippines in 1942 made the supreme**  
**sacrifice; and**

**WHEREAS, many of the survivors have suffered grievously,**  
**and their sacrifice should be remembered by future generations;**  
**and**

**WHEREAS, the designation of United States highway 70 from**  
**Las Cruces to Alamogordo is a way to pay lasting tribute to the**  
**Bataan marchers for their valor and devotion to freedom; and**

**WHEREAS, the state highway commission has a procedure for**

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1 giving highways honorary names to recognize important  
2 achievements;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state highway commission be  
5 requested to designate United States highway 70 between Las  
6 Cruces and Alamogordo as "Bataan Veterans Memorial Highway";  
7 and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
9 transmitted to the state highway commissioners and the  
10 secretary of highway and transportation.