

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 37

2 **51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013**

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 REQUESTING THE STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TO NAME A  
12 PORTION OF NEW MEXICO STATE HIGHWAY 120 THE "MARSHAL FRANK  
13 LEFEBRE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY".

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15 WHEREAS, Marshal Frank LeFebre was born April 3, 1916 in  
16 Ocate, New Mexico and was educated in the county school in  
17 Ocate; and

18 WHEREAS, he served in the United States army from January  
19 7, 1941, until the end of the war in 1945, and was part of the  
20 forty-fifth division, which crossed the Atlantic ocean from  
21 South Carolina to fight against Germany and liberate north  
22 Africa; and

23 WHEREAS, he then sailed around Africa, stopping in Cape  
24 Town, and then continued on to Karachi, Pakistan; Bombay,  
25 Calcutta and New Delhi, India; and

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1           WHEREAS, he then served in the Himalayan mountains and  
2 Rangoon, Burma, where he was involved in several skirmishes  
3 with Japanese forces; and

4           WHEREAS, on his return home he stopped in Australia and  
5 arrived in San Francisco, California for his homecoming; and

6           WHEREAS, as a public servant, he served as town marshal  
7 for the village of Wagon Mound, New Mexico for thirty years,  
8 where he is remembered for his dignity and loyalty to his  
9 principles and is known to this day as "the last marshal of the  
10 west"; and

11           WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners of Mora county  
12 supports the designation of New Mexico state highway 120,  
13 between Ocate and Wagon Mound, as "Marshal Frank LeFebre  
14 Memorial Highway";

15           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
16 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state transportation commission be  
17 requested to designate New Mexico state highway 120 between  
18 Ocate and Wagon Mound the "Marshal Frank LeFebre Memorial  
19 Highway"; and

20           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
21 transmitted to the chair of the board of county commissioners  
22 of Mora county, the state transportation commission and the  
23 family of Marshal Frank LeFebre.

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