August 9, 2018

The Honorable Ricardo Lara
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5050
Sacramento, CA 96814

The Honorable Patricia Bates
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 305
Sacramento, CA 96814

RE: Support for SCR 159 Long Beach Fire Captain David Rosa Memorial Highway

Dear Senators Lara and Bates:

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write in support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 159, which seeks to designate a portion of Interstate-5 between Camino Las Ramblas and the Ortega Highway in the County of Orange as the Long Beach Fire Captain David Rosa Memorial Highway. Captain David Rosa sustained a fatal gunshot wound in the line of duty on June 25, 2018.

Captain Rosa was a 17-year veteran of the Long Beach Fire Department. His last assignment was at Fire Station 10 located in Central Long Beach. Prior to his assignment at Fire Station 10, Captain Rosa also spent time as a Training Captain where he was responsible for teaching new firefighters in the recruit academy and delivering training to all firefighters as they rotated through the training center. He also served as a firefighter and a paramedic assigned to various stations throughout Long Beach. Captain Rosa was not only a dedicated and well respected Fire Captain, but he was also a valuable member of his community in San Juan Capistrano where he coached baseball and volunteered for little league. He is survived by his wife and two sons.

Long Beach is grateful for Captain Rosa’s service to our community and for the role he played in so many people’s lives. The City is honored to support SCR 159, as it is a recognition of a man who led a life of service and who selflessly lost his life while serving the community of Long Beach.

Given these reasons, the City of Long Beach wholeheartedly supports SCR 159.

Sincerely,

Mayor Robert Garcia
City of Long Beach

cc: The Honorable Speaker Anthony Rendon, State Assembly
The Honorable Steven Bradford, State Senate, 35th District
The Honorable Janet Nguyen, State Senate, 34th District
The Honorable Mike Gipson, State Assembly, 64th District
The Honorable Patrick O’Donnell, State Assembly, 70th District