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Specific Issue: Road named AFTER Rt David Rhoades

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STATE REPRESENTATIVE JACK CERA

Sponsor Testimony - House Bill 472

Transportation and Public Safety Committee

Room 017

February 21, 2018

Chairman Green, Vice Chair Greenspan, Ranking Member Sheehy and members of the House Transportation and Public Safety Committee....

Thank you for the opportunity to present sponsor testimony on House Bill 472, which designates a portion of State Route 164 as the "Private David Rhoades Memorial Highway."

The inspiration for this bill comes from Gary Griffith, the mayor of Private Rhoades' hometown of Bergholz, which is in my district. As a Marine serving in Vietnam, Private Rhoades made the ultimate sacrifice to our country on March 16, 1967. He was just 18 years old when he took hostile ground fire from the enemy. House Bill 472 is a measure that can serve as a small token of our appreciation for the sacrifices made by Private Rhoades and his family.

The people who drive this stretch of SR 164 in Bergholz will know that we appreciate Private Rhoades' willingness to serve his country. Let me also just say that we thank the men and women who answered the call to serve back then, just as we thank those who serve today.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak on this bill. At this time, I would be happy to answer any questions the Committee may have.