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The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur about $350 to $400 in costs for producing memorial signs for this memorial highway and the city of Mentor will incur minimal costs for installing them. Specifically, the bill designates the portion of State Route 2 between the intersections with State Route 306 and State Route 615 in the city of Mentor within Lake County as the Patrolman Mathew Mazany Memorial Highway.

If a memorial marker is to be located inside of a municipality, ODOT produces the signs and may request reimbursement from the municipality for the cost. ODOT, however, does not currently seek this reimbursement. The signs are installed by municipal workers, though, resulting in minimal costs for the municipality where the memorial marker is to be located. Two markers are usually installed, one in each direction at each location. Once a set of signs is installed, there are typically no maintenance costs unless the signs are damaged. Signs usually need to be replaced every 12 to 15 years.