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**State of Washington 66th Legislature 2020 Regular Session**

**By** Senator Fortunato

TO THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, AND TO THE HONORABLE ROGER MILLAR, SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, AND TO THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent and petition as follows:

WHEREAS, Washington state has the most glaciers of the contiguous United States; and

WHEREAS, Mount Rainier, the highest peak in the Cascade range, has glacier ice cover exceeding that of any other mountain in the contiguous United States; and

WHEREAS, Carbon Glacier, on the north slope of Mount Rainier and near the terminus of state route number 165, has the lowest terminus altitude of all glaciers in the contiguous United States; and

WHEREAS, Glaciers are intertwined with Washington state history and a core part of our landscape; and

WHEREAS, Glaciers have played a key role in the region's tourism and outdoor recreation industries and greatly contributed to the economic development of our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the Washington State Transportation Commission commence proceedings to name state route number 165 as The Glacier Highway to commemorate the significance of glaciers to the state of Washington.

BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Washington State Transportation Commission, the Honorable Roger Millar, Secretary of the Washington State Department of Transportation, and the Washington State Department of Transportation.