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2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 209

March 14, 2005 – Introduced by Representatives Lothian, Suder, Gard, Albers, Ballweg, Bies, Davis, J. Fitzgerald, Gielow, Gunderson, Hahn, Hines, Jensen, Kerkman, Kleefisch, Krawczyk, Kreibich, Lamb, F. Lasee, Nass, Owens, Pridemore, Stone, Townsend, Vos, Vukmir, Wieckert and M. Williams, cosponsored by Senators Harsdorf, Reynolds, A. Lasee, Zien, Cowles, Stepp, Kapanke, Darling and Lazich. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

AN ACT to create 84.1034 of the statutes; relating to: designating and marking

a portion of USH 14 as the Ronald Reagan Highway.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, certain highway routes and bridges have been designated and marked to memorialize, commemorate, or recognize certain individuals or events. This bill directs the Department of Transportation to designate and, upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, mark the route of USH 14 in this state from the Wisconsin–Illinois border to Madison as the "Ronald Reagan Highway" in recognition and appreciation of the public career of Ronald Reagan, who served with distinction for two terms as the 40th President of the United States and who subsequently demonstrated grace and dignity in his struggle with Alzheimer's disease. No state funds, other than from contributions from interested parties, may be used for the erection or maintenance of any markers on USH 14 to identify that portion of the highway as the "Ronald Reagan Highway."

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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84.1034 Ronald Reagan Highway. (1) The department shall designate and, subject to sub. (2), mark the route of USH 14 from the Wisconsin-Illinois border to Madison as the "Ronald Reagan Highway" in recognition and appreciation of the public career of Ronald Reagan, who served for 2 terms of office with distinction as the 40th President of the United States of America and who subsequently demonstrated grace and dignity in his struggle with Alzheimer's disease.

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(2) Upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, including any county, city, village, or town, to cover the costs of erecting and maintaining markers along the route specified in sub. (1) to clearly identify to motorists the designation of the route as the "Ronald Reagan Highway," the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

14 (END)