

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-571

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Arias

Date of Introduction: August 22, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: TEU, R

Date of Analysis: August 24, 2023

Type of Action: Support for state honorary highway naming bill

Bill Summary: The bill expresses the City's support for the honorary naming of a portion of the I-295 East Beltway between Gate Parkway and Baymeadows Road as the "Officer Christopher Michael Kane Highway" as initiated by a bill passed by the 2023 Florida Legislature. It directs the Chief of Legislative Services to send a copy of the adopted resolution to the FDOT District 2 Secretary and to the members of the Duval Legislative Delegation.

Background Information: JSO Officer Christopher Michael Kane, a 12-year veteran of the force, was killed in 2008 while on duty in a traffic accident in a construction zone on State Road 9A (now designated as I-295). The 2023 Florida Legislature enacted a bill (HB 21) that authorizes the honorary naming of a portion of the highway for Officer Kane, which requires the approval of the local government where the road is located by means of a resolution of support before signs can be erected. This resolution will express the council's support for the erection of the memorial signage.

Policy Impact Area: JSO officer commemoration

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements