

HOUSE BILL NO. 353

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT NAMING THE CITY OF LAUREL, MONTANA, AS THE OFFICIAL SITE OF THE MONTANA STATE FIREFIGHTERS' MEMORIAL."

WHEREAS, firefighters in the State of Montana have put themselves in dangerous situations to protect lives and property; and

WHEREAS, some firefighters have paid the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature wants to honor those who have died in the line of duty and recognize those deceased firefighters in the State of Montana who dedicated 20 or more years of their lives in service as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the Laurel Volunteer Fire Company initiated the planning and logistics for construction of a Montana State Firefighters' Memorial; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel has adopted City Resolution R01-24 that dedicates the property at the corner of West First Street and Second Avenue East of the Fire, Ambulance, and Police Building in the City of Laurel and has renamed the property "Firefighters' Memorial Park"; and

WHEREAS, the Laurel Volunteer Fire Company has received unanimous backing from the Montana State Volunteer Firefighters Association and the Montana Fire Alliance for the construction of the firefighters' memorial in the City of Laurel; and

WHEREAS, Governor Judy Martz has presented a Governor's Citation to the Laurel Volunteer Fire Company, dedicating the park as the future home of the Montana State Firefighters' Memorial.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Montana state firefighters' memorial. (1) The site chosen by the city of Laurel, Montana, as "firefighters' memorial park" is officially designated as the location of the Montana state firefighters' memorial.

(2) The department of commerce and the department of transportation shall identify the memorial in Laurel on official state maps and, where appropriate, on state highway signs as the official state firefighters'

1 memorial.

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3 NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. CODIFICATION INSTRUCTION. [SECTION 1] IS INTENDED TO BE CODIFIED AS AN
4 INTEGRAL PART OF TITLE 1, CHAPTER 1, PART 5, AND THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 1, CHAPTER 1, PART 5, APPLY TO
5 [SECTION 1].

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