WHEREAS, Sam Strahan was born in Placentia, California on June 19, 2002 and moved to Spokane November 2004 where he attended school up until his sophomore year at Freeman High School in Rockford, Washington; and

WHEREAS, Sam Strahan had a strong love for his family: mother Ami Strahan, father Scott Strahan, sister Emily Strahan, his cat Bella and his two dogs; and

WHEREAS, Sam Strahan and his family suffered a great loss after the sudden and untimely passing of his father Scott, a former volunteer fire fighter, due to a tragic accident on Father’s Day 2017. Sam and his mother were home and Sam placed the call to 911; and

WHEREAS, Sam Strahan was an active member of his community, volunteering at Generation Alive, the Calvary Baptist Church Soup Kitchen, and serving as a member of the Boy Scouts of America in elementary school where his father Scott was the troop leader; and

WHEREAS, Sam Strahan had many hobbies and interests including playing video games, chess, camping, water sports, cooking, and mastering the Rubik’s Cube in which he could finish all sides in under 30 seconds; and

WHEREAS, Sam Strahan tragically lost his life on September 13th, 2017 after confronting an armed student in the halls of Freeman High School. The shooter entered the school with multiple firearms and when Sam approached the student in an effort to stop him, he was fatally shot; and

WHEREAS, Sam Strahan demonstrated fierce bravery and faith in the human spirit to do the right thing on that fateful day of September 13, 2017, placing his own life before the many others he saved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Washington State Transportation Commission designates the section of State Route 27 from milepost 82 south to milepost 68.9 the "Sam Strahan Memorial Highway."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Washington State Transportation Commission requests the Department of Transportation provide signing reflecting this naming designation.

ADOPTED this 15th day of November 2017.

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