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Testimony in Support of SB 291
Senate Transportation Committee
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Chairman Peterson and Transportation Committee members, thank you for this opportunity allowing me to provide testimony in support of SB 291.

It was brought to my attention many times after I was elected the Senator for Senate District #36 why only a small stretch of Kansas Highway 36 was the World War I Memorial Highway and often the question came from veterans. In 2006, House Bill 2951 was heard in House Transportation with several members still in the building today, Senator Rob Olson and Representative Jene Vickrey. At that time, A.F. "Jud" Wagner was a resident of Smith Center and was believed to be the oldest living United States marine. The House Committee of the Whole amended into the bill Interstate Highway 335 as named the United States Submarine Veteran's Memorial Highway.

Members of the American Legion in our area decided extending the highway designation would be a project they would like to support. They will raise the funds necessary to move the two signs which are existing in Smith County to Washington County and the Colorado border.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Senator Elaine Bowers
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