

**SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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**S.F. No. 3899**

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
02/26/2026	6402	Introduction and first reading Referred to State and Local Government
03/18/2026	6803a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance
04/27/2026	9158a	Comm report: To pass as amended
	9172	Second reading

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state government; designating marked Trunk Highway 610 as Hortman

1.3 Memorial Highway; renaming state buildings after Melissa Hortman and Kari

1.4 Dziejczak; establishing a working group for Melissa and Mark Hortman Memorial

1.5 State Park; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes

1.6 2024, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.

1.7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 161.14, is amended by adding a subdivision

1.9 to read:

1.10 Subd. 111. **Hortman Memorial Highway.** Marked Trunk Highway 610 is designated

1.11 as "Hortman Memorial Highway." Subject to section 161.139, the commissioner must adopt

1.12 a suitable design to mark this highway and erect appropriate signs.

1.13 Sec. 2. **MELISSA HORTMAN STATE OFFICE BUILDING.**

1.14 The state building located at 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. in the city of

1.15 St. Paul is renamed as the Melissa Hortman State Office Building.

1.16 Sec. 3. **KARI DZIEDZIC SENATE BUILDING.**

1.17 The Minnesota Senate Building located at 95 University Avenue West in the city of St.

1.18 Paul is renamed as the Kari Dziejczak Senate Building.

1.19 Sec. 4. **SIGNAGE COSTS.**

1.20 The commissioner of administration must pay for the cost of modifying or replacing

1.21 signage as necessary to conform with sections 2 and 3 using general fund appropriations

2.1 available for operations under Laws 2025, chapter 39, article 1, section 11. The commissioner  
 2.2 must not include these costs in determining lease rates for fiscal years 2028 and 2029 or  
 2.3 otherwise pass the cost of signage on to tenants of the building in sections 2 and 3.

2.4 **Sec. 5. MELISSA AND MARK HORTMAN MEMORIAL STATE PARK WORKING**  
 2.5 **GROUP.**

2.6 **Subdivision 1. Melissa and Mark Hortman Memorial State Park working group. (a)**  
 2.7 **The Melissa and Mark Hortman Memorial State Park working group consists of the following**  
 2.8 **members:**

2.9 (1) the governor or the governor's designee;

2.10 (2) the commissioner of administration or the commissioner's designee;

2.11 (3) the commissioner of natural resources or the commissioner's designee;

2.12 (4) the chair of the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board or the chair's designee;

2.13 (5) the executive director of the Minnesota Historical Society or the executive director's  
 2.14 designee;

2.15 (6) the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate committees with primary  
 2.16 jurisdiction over the Department of Administration and Department of Natural Resources  
 2.17 or their designees;

2.18 (7) the cochairs of the house of representatives committees with primary jurisdiction  
 2.19 over the Department of Administration and Department of Natural Resources or their  
 2.20 designees; and

2.21 (8) the mayor of the city of St. Paul or the mayor's designee.

2.22 (b) Appointing authorities must submit their appointments to the executive director of  
 2.23 the Legislative Coordinating Commission no later than July 15, 2026.

2.24 **Subd. 2. Recommendations.** The working group must make recommendations for the  
 2.25 creation of the Melissa and Mark Hortman Memorial State Park within the Capitol Area as  
 2.26 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 15B.02, including:

2.27 (1) identifying the roles and responsibilities of the commissioners of administration and  
 2.28 natural resources, the Minnesota Historical Society, and the Capitol Area Architectural and  
 2.29 Planning Board related to the administration of the park, including assigning the roles and  
 2.30 responsibilities for providing educational programming, interpretive services, planning  
 2.31 processes for physical changes, and public engagement activities within the park; and

3.1 (2) funding recommendations for establishing and maintaining the park and related  
3.2 programming.

3.3 Subd. 3. **Chair.** The working group must elect a chair at its first meeting from among  
3.4 its legislative members.

3.5 Subd. 4. **Administrative support; meetings.** (a) The Legislative Coordinating  
3.6 Commission must provide administrative support and convene the first meeting by August  
3.7 15, 2026.

3.8 (b) The working group must meet at regular intervals as often as necessary to develop  
3.9 the recommendations under subdivision 2.

3.10 Subd. 5. **Per diem; expenses.** Members of the working group serve without pay, except  
3.11 that legislative members may receive per diem from their respective legislative bodies  
3.12 according to the rules of their respective legislative bodies. All members may be reimbursed  
3.13 for expenses incurred as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059, subdivision 3.

3.14 Subd. 6. **Report.** By February 1, 2027, the working group must submit a written report  
3.15 containing its recommendations to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house  
3.16 of representatives and senate committees with primary jurisdiction over the Department of  
3.17 Administration and the Department of Natural Resources. The report must include draft  
3.18 legislation, if needed, to implement the recommendations of the working group. The working  
3.19 group expires March 15, 2027, or upon submission of the report required by this subdivision,  
3.20 whichever occurs later.

3.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

3.22 Sec. 6. **APPROPRIATION; MELISSA HORTMAN MEMORIAL.**

3.23 (a) \$800,000 of the appropriation to implement the updated Capitol Mall Design  
3.24 Framework under Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 1, section 11, subdivision 2, as amended  
3.25 by Laws 2025, chapter 39, article 1, section 39, is to design and cast a statue recognizing  
3.26 Melissa Hortman's historic contributions to the state of Minnesota. The statue shall be  
3.27 incorporated into the design of a memorial garden on the State Office Building site by the  
3.28 Department of Administration. Minnesota Rules, part 2400.2703, shall not apply to the  
3.29 activities funded under this section.

3.30 (b) Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, the Capitol Area Architectural and  
3.31 Planning Board must select the artist via a competitive process and consult with the  
3.32 immediate family of Melissa Hortman throughout the selection and design approval process.  
3.33 The statue design shall include the likeness of deceased family members of Melissa Hortman.

4.1 (c) Any unspent portion of the money under this section remaining after the casting of  
4.2 the statue is available for additional landscaping elements on the memorial garden site.

4.3 (d) The money under this section is available until June 30, 2029.

4.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

4.5 Sec. 7. **APPROPRIATION; MELISSA AND MARK HORTMAN MEMORIAL**  
4.6 **STATE PARK WORKING GROUP.**

4.7 \$86,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the Legislative  
4.8 Coordinating Commission for the administrative costs of the Melissa and Mark Hortman  
4.9 Memorial State Park working group in section 5. This is a onetime appropriation.

4.10 Sec. 8. **REVISOR INSTRUCTION.**

4.11 (a) The revisor of statutes shall replace "State Office Building" with "the Melissa Hortman  
4.12 State Office Building" wherever it appears in Minnesota Statutes and Minnesota Rules.

4.13 (b) The revisor of statutes must replace "Minnesota Senate Building" with "the Kari  
4.14 Dziedzic Senate Building" wherever it appears in Minnesota Statutes and Minnesota Rules.