

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 181 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY DAY, TOOHL, BAKER, COX, WARD, MACKENZIE, RYAN, HAHN, KAUFFMAN, TALLMAN, PICKETT, SAYLOR, SONNEY, DUSH, DIGIROLAMO, MILLARD, JAMES, CALTAGIRONE, SAMUELSON, MURT, IRVIN, LONGIETTI, READSHAW, HENNESSEY, McNEILL, GABLER, KNOWLES, NEILSON, PEIFER AND WHEELAND, JANUARY 23, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 23, 2017

AN ACT

1 Designating a portion of State Route 100 from the intersection
 2 of Main Street and Tilghman Street in Upper Macungie
 3 Township, Lehigh County, to the intersection of Claussville
 4 Road and Kernsville Road in Lowhill Township, Lehigh County,
 5 as the Captain Mark T. Resh Memorial Highway.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Captain Mark T. Resh Memorial Highway.

9 (a) Findings.-- The General Assembly finds and declares as
 10 follows:

11 (1) Captain Mark T. Resh, of Killen, Texas, was a native
 12 of Fogelsville, Lehigh County, and a 1996 graduate of
 13 Northwestern Lehigh High School, where he was a member of the
 14 National Honor Society, math club and student council and was
 15 captain of the varsity soccer team in his senior year.

16 (2) In 2001, Captain Resh graduated from the University
 17 of Pittsburgh with a degree in engineering.

18 (3) Captain Resh served as an Apache helicopter pilot

1 with the United States Army, 4th Battalion, 227th Aviation
2 Regiment, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division in
3 support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

4 (4) On January 28, 2007, near An Najaf, Iraq, Captain
5 Resh placed the helicopter he was piloting in the direct line
6 of enemy fire so that another air crew that was under attack
7 could maneuver out of danger. Over the next 15 minutes, he
8 bravely flew in the face of intense enemy fire to support the
9 coalition ground forces until his aircraft was struck by
10 enemy fire and crashed, killing Captain Resh.

11 (5) Captain Resh was awarded the Purple Heart and the
12 Silver Star for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in
13 action.

14 (b) Designation.--The section of State Route 100 from the
15 intersection of Main Street and Tilghman Street in Upper
16 Macungie Township, Lehigh County, to the intersection of
17 Claussville Road and Kernsville Road in Lowhill Township, Lehigh
18 County, is hereby designated as the Captain Mark T. Resh
19 Memorial Highway.

20 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
21 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway to
22 traffic in both directions on the highway.

23 Section 2. Effective date.

24 This act shall take effect in 60 days.