

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1783 Session of  
2009

INTRODUCED BY FAIRCHILD, PHILLIPS AND HARRIS, JUNE 25, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 25, 2009

AN ACT

1 Designating State Route 35 from Selinsgrove to the Snyder County  
2 line near Richfield as the Pfc. Justin W. Dreese Memorial  
3 Highway.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Pfc. Justin W. Dreese Memorial Highway.

7 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as  
8 follows:

9 (1) Pfc. Justin W. Dreese, a 21-year-old from Freeburg,  
10 Snyder County, died September 2, 2006, from injuries suffered  
11 in a mortar attack while serving in Iraq as a member of the  
12 82nd Airborne Division during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

13 (2) Pfc. Dreese was a 2004 graduate of Selinsgrove High  
14 School. He was deployed to Iraq in July 2006 as a paratrooper  
15 in the 1st Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, 2nd  
16 Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, based at Fort  
17 Bragg, North Carolina.

18 (3) Pfc. Dreese's patrol come under attack in Yusifiyah,  
19 Iraq. Also killed in the combat was Sgt. Ralph N. Porras.

1           (4) Pfc. Dreese was posthumously awarded the Purple  
2     Heart.

3           (b) Designation.--State Route 35 from Selinsgrove to the  
4     Snyder County line near Richfield is hereby designated as the  
5     Pfc. Justin W. Dreese Memorial Highway.

6           (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and  
7     maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway  
8     designated under subsection (b) to traffic in both directions.  
9     Section 2. Effective date.

10          This act shall take effect in 60 days.