THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 631

Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY DINNIMAN AND RAFFERTY, FEBRUARY 23, 2011

AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, APRIL 11, 2011

AN ACT

1 Designating the section of State Route 23 that is situated

2 between Chester County's border with Montgomery County and

State Route 100 as the Medal of Honor Grove Highway.

- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Findings.
- 7 The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:
- 8 (1) That the 52-acre Freedom Foundation's Medal of Honor
- 9 Grove in Schuylkill Township, Chester County, is the nation's
- 10 oldest memorial site dedicated to Medal of Honor recipients.
- 11 The site was dedicated on October 1, 1964, through the work
- of President Dwight D. Eisenhower and General Omar Bradley,
- among others. It honors our nation's Medal of Honor
- 14 recipients.
- 15 (2) The Medal of Honor is our nation's highest military
- 16 honor. Since its inception in 1862, it has been bestowed upon
- 17 346 Pennsylvanians and 3,448 individuals who distinguished
- themselves through "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at
- 19 the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while

- 1 engaged in the action against an enemy of the United States."
- 2 (3) The Medal of Honor Grove is adjacent to and accessed
- 3 by State Route 23. It is essential that we recognize the
- 4 Medal of Honor Grove and the individuals it represents so
- 5 that their heroism and service are never forgotten.
- 6 Section 2. Medal of Honor Grove Highway.
- 7 The section of State Route 23 located between THAT IS
- 8 SITUATED BETWEEN CHESTER COUNTY'S BORDER WITH Montgomery County
- 9 and State Route 100 is hereby designated as the Medal of Honor
- 10 Grove Highway.
- 11 Section 3. Signs.
- 12 The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain
- 13 appropriate signs to indicate this designation.
- 14 Section 4. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect in 60 days.