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Memorandum

TO: All House Members
FROM: Representatives Mike Sturla and Ryan Aument *PM9 SA*
DATE: October 26, 2011
SUBJECT: Request for Co-Sponsorship – Bridge naming – Memo 17

We plan to introduce legislation renaming the Edward Anthony Davis Bridge, on Dillerville Road, in Lancaster the Captain Edward Anthony Davis Bridge, to honor Captain Davis' life of service to the United States.

United States Navy Captain Edward Anthony Davis of Lancaster County, ex-prisoner of war, was awarded three Silver Stars, the Legion of Merit with combat situation, four Bronze Stars with Valor Device, five Air Medals, two Purple Hearts and three Navy Commendation Medals with Valor Device for military service during the Vietnam era. Captain Davis was shot down over North Vietnam on August 26, 1965, during his 57th combat mission and endured captivity at the prisoner-of-war camp known as the Hanoi Hilton through February 12, 1973.

Captain Davis was released as part of Operation Homecoming and continued to serve his nation and community by working with the Navy as well as Penn Manor School District as a member of the Board of Directors. Captain Davis also was active in the Sertoma Club of Lancaster and acted as a consultant to the National Vietnam War Museum. Captain Davis passed away November 7, 2006, at 67 years and was buried with full honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

To co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Michelle Bohnke in Rep. Sturla's office at 717-787-3555 or mbohnke@pahouse.net.