

## AN ACT

1 Designating Whitaker Avenue from its intersection with Roosevelt  
2 Boulevard in Philadelphia City, Philadelphia County, to the  
3 point where it meets East Erie Avenue in Philadelphia City,  
4 Philadelphia County, as the 65th Infantry "Borinqueneers"  
5 Avenue.

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

8 Section 1. 65th Infantry "Borinqueneers" Avenue.

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

11 (1) The 65th Infantry Regiment is a Puerto Rican  
12 regiment of the United States Army. The 65th Infantry  
13 Regiment participated in World War I, World War II and the  
14 Korean War.

15 (2) "The Borinqueneers" is a nickname for the 65th  
16 Infantry Regiment of the 3rd Division in the United States  
17 Army, an all-volunteer Puerto Rican unit. It was derived from  
18 the name Borinquen meaning "land of the brave lord." It has  
19 also been interpreted as "land of the pure."

1           (3) Over 62,000 Puerto Ricans joined the military during  
2 World War II and over 43,000 Puerto Ricans served in the  
3 Korean War. While in Korea, the Borinqueneers served in nine  
4 separate military campaigns, with hundreds of men giving  
5 their lives to serve their country.

6           (4) The Regiment won four Distinguished Service Crosses  
7 and 125 Silver Stars and was awarded the Presidential Unit  
8 Citation and the Greek Gold Metal for Bravery for its  
9 service.

10       (b) Designation.--Whitaker Avenue from its intersection with  
11 Roosevelt Boulevard in Philadelphia City, Philadelphia County,  
12 to the point where it meets East Erie Avenue in Philadelphia  
13 City, Philadelphia County, is designated as the 65th Infantry  
14 "Borinqueneers" Avenue.

15       (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and  
16 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway to  
17 traffic in both directions.

18 Section 2. Effective date.

19 This act shall take effect immediately.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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See next page for additional co-sponsors.

<b>Referred to Committee on</b>	
Date _____	20_____
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<b>As Committed-Amended</b>	
<b>Recommendation</b>	
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By Hon. _____	