

CPL. HARRY RAYMOND HARR MEMORIAL BRIDGE - DESIGNATION

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An Act

Designating a bridge on that portion of Interstate 99 in Freedom Township, Blair County, as the Cpl. Harry Raymond Harr Memorial Bridge.

The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Cpl. Harry Raymond Harr, United States Army, from East Freedom, PA, was killed in action at 24 years of age on June 5, 1945, Mindanao, Pacific, during World War II.

(2) Cpl. Harr smothered a Japanese hand grenade with his body and saved the lives of four of his fellow soldiers, thus enabling the four remaining soldiers to repair their machine guns and hold their position at the Battle of Mindanao Island.

(3) Cpl. Harr received the Congressional Medal of Honor for his bravery.

(4) There are many accidents on the bridge, located on I-99 at mile marker 19 in the southern end of Freedom Township and passing over old State Route 220 near the Greenfield Township line, and the lack of a designation has caused confusion for emergency responders.

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

Section 1. Cpl. Harry Raymond Harr Memorial Bridge.

(a) Designation.--The bridge located on I-99 at mile marker 19 in the southern end of Freedom Township and passing over old State Route 220 near the Greenfield Township line, Blair County, is hereby designated the Cpl. Harry Raymond Harr Memorial Bridge.

(b) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to traffic in both directions on the bridge.

Section 2. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.