

FIRST LIEUTENANT THEODORE P. PYTASH BRIDGE - DESIGNATION

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An Act

Designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 2026 over the North Branch Blacklick Creek, Buffington Township, Indiana County, as First Lieutenant Theodore P. Pytash Bridge.

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

Section 1. First Lieutenant Theodore P. Pytash Bridge.

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

(1) First Lieutenant Theodore P. Pytash was drafted into the United States Army during the Vietnam Conflict and served with the 3rd Platoon, Company A, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division.

(2) First Lieutenant Pytash was awarded the Silver Star Medal for his courageous leadership when his platoon came under attack in the Republic of Vietnam on May 31, 1970. When his platoon encountered heavy enemy fire, First Lieutenant Pytash's decisive leadership saved the lives of many men.

(3) First Lieutenant Pytash also received the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal and Bronze Star Medal.

(b) Designation.--The bridge located on State Route 2026 over the North Branch Blacklick Creek, Buffington Township, Indiana County, is hereby designated the First Lieutenant Theodore P. Pytash Bridge.

(c) 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.