AN ACT

Designating Interstate 84, within this Commonwealth, as the Fallen Trooper Memorial Highway; and designating a bridge in Clarks Summit, Lackawanna County, as the John E. Fitzgerald Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 1. Legislative findings.

The General Assembly finds as follows:

- (1) The Pennsylvania State Police, created by Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker on May 2, 1905, became the first uniformed police organization of its kind in the United States and a model for other state police agencies throughout the nation.
- (2) For more than a century, the Pennsylvania State Police has forged a reputation for law enforcement excellence, with its officers always prepared to give their lives to save others.
- (3) The core purpose of the Pennsylvania State Police is to seek justice, preserve peace and improve the quality of life for all.
- (4) The core values of the Pennsylvania State Police are honor, service, integrity, respect, trust, courage and duty.
- (5) Each trooper swears to "be of service to anyone who may be in danger or distress, and at all times so conduct myself that the honor of the force may be upheld."
- (6) On September 2, 1906, the first two Pennsylvania State troopers were killed in the line of duty.
- (7) No fewer than 93 Pennsylvania State Troopers have given their lives to protect the citizens of this Commonwealth.
- (8) In order to honor the finest law enforcement agency of its kind in the nation and its members that have made the ultimate sacrifice, it is fitting that Interstate 84 be officially designated as the Fallen Trooper Memorial Highway. Section 2. Fallen Trooper Memorial Highway.
- (a) Designation.--Interstate 84, within this Commonwealth, is hereby designated as the Fallen Trooper Memorial Highway.
- (b) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway to traffic in both directions.
- Section 3. John E. Fitzgerald Memorial Bridge.
- (a) Findings.--John E. Fitzgerald was a civil engineer who worked on the construction of the designated bridge and later became the first superintendent of the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. He served in that capacity for 13 years before retiring.
 - (b) Designation. -- The bridge on the Northeast Extension

located in Clarks Summit, which crosses over Routes 6 and 11 in Lackawanna County, is hereby designated and shall be known as the John E. Fitzgerald Memorial Bridge.

(c) Signs.--The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to traffic in both directions on the bridge. Section 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.