

MULTIPLE DESIGNATIONS IN MULTIPLE COUNTIES - DESIGNATION

Act of Feb. 15, 2018, P.L. 22, No. 9

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An Act

Designating a portion of State Route 2005 in Saxonburg Borough, Butler County, as the Chief Gregory B. Adams Way; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 271 over US Route 22, Jackson Township, Cambria County, as the Trooper Gary Fisher Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 53 over US Route 22, Cresson Township, Cambria County, as the Corporal Robert J. Sherwood, Jr., Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on Segment 80 of State Route 2015, along Overbridge Street and over Railroad Street, Lilly Borough, Cambria County, as the Paul E. Sweeney Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of Avenue A over the Allegheny River, Coudersport Borough, Potter County, as the Commander Philip F. "Jet" Palmatier, Jr., Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of Sunnyside Road over the Oswayo Creek, Shinglehouse Borough, Potter County, as the PVT Malon Stanley Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of U.S. Route 30 in Franklin County, as the Lance Corporal Michael L. Freeman, Jr., Memorial Highway; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 533 over Muddy Run, Southampton Township, Franklin County, as the Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl Memorial Bridge; and designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1004 over the Conococheague Creek, Greene Township, Franklin County, as the Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher Memorial Bridge; and providing for Cpl. Carl F. Hynek III Memorial Highway. (Title amended Oct. 19, 2018, P.L.559, No.85)

Compiler's Note: In Act 85 of 2018, the "and" after "Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl Memorial Bridge;" was incorrectly stricken and not bracketed.

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

Section 1. Chief Gregory B. Adams Way.

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

(1) Gregory B. Adams was born in Natrona Heights, Butler County.

(2) Gregory B. Adams, a husband and father of two, was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and a veteran of the United States Marine Corps.

(3) In 1973, Gregory B. Adams joined the Saxonburg Police Department, and several years later he was promoted to Chief of Police.

(4) On December 4, 1980, Chief Gregory B. Adams gave his life in the line of duty, ending the criminal career of his murderer and preventing a crime from occurring in Saxonburg Borough.

(b) Designation.--The section of State Route 2005, also known as Butler Street, in Saxonburg Borough, Butler County, from a point identified as SR2005/60 northward to the intersection of Water Street, identified as SR2010/160, is designated the Chief Gregory B. Adams Way.

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

Section 2. Trooper Gary Fisher Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Gary W. Fisher was born on April 2, 1958, to William and Patricia Fisher in Johnstown.

(2) He enlisted in the Pennsylvania State Police on December 8, 1980, at 22 years of age.

(3) Following graduation from the State Police Academy, he was assigned to Troop B in Washington County.

(4) In May 1983, he transferred to the Region V Strike Force.

(5) On February 3, 1985, at 26 years of age, Trooper Fisher was shot and killed in the line of duty while attempting to make an arrest during a drug exchange at the Crossroads Plaza, East Huntingdon Township, Westmoreland County.

(b) Designation.--The bridge located on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 271 over US Route 22, Jackson Township, Cambria County, is designated the Trooper Gary Fisher Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 3. Corporal Robert J. Sherwood, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Corporal Robert J. Sherwood, Jr., was born in the City of Altoona, Blair County, on September 5, 1947, and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War.

(2) On April 3, 1967, Corporal Sherwood made the ultimate sacrifice for his country. While on patrol, his unit came under enemy fire and he was mortally wounded while helping to load injured Marines into a medical helicopter.

(3) For his service to the United States Marine Corps, Corporal Sherwood received the following medals and ribbons: Paratrooper Wings, Purple Heart Medal, National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Sharpshooter badge.

(b) Designation.--The bridge located on Pennsylvania Route 53 in Cresson Township, Cambria County, over US Route 22 is designated the Corporal Robert J. Sherwood, Jr., Memorial 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 4. Paul E. Sweeney Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) A native of Lilly, 1st Sergeant Paul E. Sweeney served in the United States Army during World War II as a combat engineer trained in mine demolition and setting booby traps with the 90th Infantry Division.

(2) On June 17, 1944, his ship, the USS Susan B. Anthony, hit a mine, forcing the troops and crew to abandon ship.

(3) On July 4, 1944, Sergeant Sweeney suffered injuries when he was targeted by a German sniper with a percussion grenade.

(4) Sergeant Sweeney earned the Silver Star due to his actions in the vicinity of Kerling, France, on November 12, 1944, when he risked his life to lead a tank unit through enemy fire to reinforce a patrol taking cover from heavy machine guns, strategically deployed the tank unit to eliminate the machine guns and advanced through intense mortar and small arms fire to attack the enemy and capture 10 prisoners.

(5) In addition to the Silver Star, Sergeant Sweeney's awards include the Purple Heart and the British Distinguished Service Medal.

(6) On August 9, 2016, Sergeant Sweeney passed away at the age of 96.

(b) Designation.--The bridge located on Segment 80 of State Route 2015, along Overbridge Street and over Railroad Street, Lilly Borough, Cambria County, is designated the Paul E. Sweeney Memorial 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 5. Commander Philip F. "Jet" Palmatier, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Commander Philip F. "Jet" Palmatier, Jr., was born on November 4, 1950, in Coudersport, graduated with honors from the local high school and was appointed to the United States Naval Academy.

(2) On December 10, 1990, Commander Palmatier, a career Navy officer, was flying a training mission over the Gulf of Mexico when his TA-4 Skyhawk collided with another jet, killing Commander Palmatier at 40 years of age.

(b) Designation.--The bridge located on Avenue A, bridge ID 52400200120000, over the Allegheny River in Coudersport Borough, Potter County, is designated the Commander Philip F. "Jet" Palmatier, Jr., Memorial 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 6. PVT Malon Stanley Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) PVT Malon Stanley, a native of Potter County, was drafted into the United States Army at the start of World War II and served in the 1st Cavalry Division.

(2) PVT Malon Stanley was part of the forces that stormed Leyte Island under the command of General MacArthur. PVT Malon Stanley was killed while providing cover for his fellow troops who were ordered to retreat.

(3) PVT Malon Stanley was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart for his service.

(b) Designation.--The bridge #4017-0124-0220 located on Sunnyside Road over the Oswayo Creek, Shinglehouse Borough, Potter County, is designated the PVT Malon Stanley Memorial 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 7. Lance Corporal Michael L. Freeman, Jr., Memorial Highway.

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

(1) Lance Corporal Michael L. Freeman, Jr., of Fayetteville died while supporting combat operations in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, on February 1, 2010, paying the supreme sacrifice for his nation in Operation Enduring Freedom.

(2) A 2008 graduate of Chambersburg Area High School, Lance Corporal Freeman had served in the Marine Corps since August 2008.

(3) Lance Corporal Freeman, a machine gunner assigned to 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, had been on his first deployment in Afghanistan since October 2009.

(4) Lance Corporal Freeman was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon and the Afghanistan Campaign Medal.

(b) Designation.--The section of U.S. Route 30 in Franklin County, from the eastern intersection with State Route 1008 to the western intersection with State Route 1008, is designated the Lance Corporal Michael L. Freeman, Jr., Memorial Highway.

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

(7 amended Oct. 19, 2018, P.L.559, No.85)
Section 8. Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl, a native of Shippensburg, lived most of his life a few miles from the bridge over Muddy Run. He crossed over the bridge on Sunday mornings traveling to church, spent many hours fishing with his father along Muddy Run and cooled off in the stream with his family during hot summer days.

(2) Private First Class Diehl graduated from Shippensburg Area Senior High School in 1967. During high school, he was a member of the wrestling team and active in Boy Scout Troop No. 251.

(3) Private First Class Diehl honorably served his country as a medical specialist with Headquarters Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry, 25th Infantry Division.

(4) On December 10, 1968, in Hau Nghia Province, South Vietnam, Private First Class Diehl was killed when the vehicle in which he was riding was struck by an explosive device.

(b) Designation.--The bridge located on State Route 533 over Muddy Run in Southampton Township, Franklin County, is designated the Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl Memorial 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 9. Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher, a native of Chambersburg, served in the United States Army from April 19, 1943, to March 28, 1945.

(2) Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher was a highly decorated veteran of World War II, having earned the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Combat Infantry Badge, World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, European Theater of

War Ribbon with one star, Good Conduct Medal, Marksman Badge with rifle bar and Glider Badge.

(b) Designation.--The bridge on State Route 1004 over the Conococheague Creek in Greene Township, Franklin County, is designated the Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher Memorial 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 9.1. Cpl. Carl F. Hynek III Memorial Highway.

(a) Findings.--

(1) Cpl. Carl Hynek was born and raised in Upper Moreland Township, Montgomery County.

(2) Cpl. Carl Hynek was drafted into the United States Army after his high school graduation and served in Vietnam with the 101st Airborne Division.

(3) Cpl. Carl Hynek was killed on October 5, 1967, in Quang Nam, South Vietnam, at 22 years of age, from wounds he received in an intense firefight with enemy forces.

(b) Designation.--The section of State Route 2044 in Montgomery County, from Terwood Road to Moreland Road, is hereby designated the Cpl. Carl F. Hynek III Memorial Highway.

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

(9.1 added Oct. 19, 2018, P.L.559, No.85)

Compiler's Note: Section 5 of Act 85 of 2018 provided that the addition of section 9.1 shall be retroactive to January 3, 2017.

Section 10. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.