## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

## No. 1721 Session of 2005

INTRODUCED BY STURLA, BOYD, BASTIAN, BEBKO-JONES, BENNINGHOFF,
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TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, HERMAN,
McCALL, PISTELLA, RUBLEY, SHANER AND THOMAS, JUNE 14, 2005

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 14, 2005

## AN ACT

- 1 Designating the bridge on the portion of SR 222 southbound,
- 2 crossing the Conestoga River in Lancaster County, as the
- 3 AMVETS POW-MIA Memorial Bridge.
- 4 WHEREAS, AMVETS, also known as American Veterans, is a
- 5 volunteer-led national veteran's organization that was founded
- 6 during World War II; and
- WHEREAS, The organization is open to anyone who is currently
- 8 serving or who has honorably served in the armed forces of the
- 9 United States since September 15, 1940; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Red Rose Post No. 19, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, plays
- 11 a proud and active role in the AMVETS organization; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Red Rose Post No. 19 has served the organization
- 13 by providing countless members to the national and State
- 14 leadership team; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Since its founding, the Red Rose Post No. 19 and

- 1 AMVETS have been at the forefront of advocacy for our veterans;
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, This advocacy includes services for homeless
- 4 veterans, receipt of retirement pay, disability compensation,
- 5 veterans employment and training and POW/MIA accountability; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In the tradition of the official flower of AMVETS,
- 7 the white clover, which means "Remember Me," AMVETS continues to
- 8 remember and recognize those who have selflessly served our
- 9 country.
- 10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 11 hereby enacts as follows:
- 12 Section 1. AMVETS POW-MIA Memorial Bridge.
- 13 (a) Designation. -- The bridge located on that portion of SR
- 14 222 southbound over the Conestoga River in Lancaster County is
- 15 designated as the AMVETS POW-MIA Memorial Bridge.
- 16 (b) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
- 17 maintain appropriate signs displaying the designated name of the
- 18 bridge on the bridge.
- 19 Section 2. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect immediately.