

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1686 Session of  
2007

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TRUE, VEREB, WANSACZ, J. WHITE, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD AND  
YUDICHAK, JULY 3, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JULY 3, 2007

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge to be constructed on that portion of SR 903  
2 over the Lehigh River, Jim Thorpe Borough, Carbon County, as  
3 the Sgt. Andrew J. Baddick Memorial Bridge.

4 WHEREAS, Sgt. Andrew J. Baddick was a native of Jim Thorpe,  
5 Carbon County, and a 1997 graduate of Jim Thorpe Area Senior  
6 High School; and

7 WHEREAS, Sgt. Baddick enlisted in the United States Army in  
8 1999 and graduated from Jump School at Fort Benning, Georgia, on  
9 February 14, 2001; and

10 WHEREAS, Later that same year, he reenlisted in the United  
11 States Army for six years; and

1       WHEREAS, In 2002 Sgt. Baddick was awarded the Army  
2 Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service while assigned as a  
3 Dismounted Infantryman in recognition of loyalty and commitment  
4 to excellence; and

5       WHEREAS, Later that same year, Sgt. Baddick was deployed to  
6 Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

7       WHEREAS, In 2003 Sgt. Baddick received the Army Achievement  
8 Medal awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces who,  
9 while serving in any capacity with the United States Army in a  
10 noncombat area, have distinguished themselves by meritorious  
11 service or achievement; and

12       WHEREAS, Sgt. Baddick was honorably serving his country while  
13 on active duty in Iraq on September 29, 2003, when he gave his  
14 life attempting to rescue a fellow soldier from a submerged  
15 military vehicle; and

16       WHEREAS, Sgt. Baddick, beloved son of Ann Callen Baddick and  
17 Joseph Baddick, was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star.

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

20       Section 1. Sgt. Andrew J. Baddick Memorial Bridge.

21       (a) Designation.--The bridge to be constructed on SR 903 in  
22 Jim Thorpe Borough, Carbon County, over the Lehigh River is  
23 hereby designated the Sgt. Andrew J. Baddick Memorial Bridge.

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

27       Section 2. Effective date.

28       This act shall take effect immediately.