THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2428 Session of 2010

INTRODUCED BY MUSTIO, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, CLYMER, CREIGHTON, DALEY, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FLECK, GEORGE, GILLESPIE, GOODMAN, GRELL, GROVE, GRUCELA, HARHART, HARPER, HELM, HENNESSEY, HESS, KILLION, KNOWLES, KORTZ, MARSICO, MICCARELLI, MILLARD, MURT, PAYNE, ROCK, ROSS, SCAVELLO, STERN AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 19, 2010

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 19, 2010

AN ACT

- 1 Designating the interchange of Business Route 60 with Thorn Run
- Road in Moon Township, Allegheny County, as the Robert E.
- 3 Harper Interchange.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Robert E. Harper Interchange.
- 7 (a) Declaration of policy. -- The General Assembly finds and
- 8 declares as follows:
- 9 (1) Robert Ernest Harper was born and raised in
- 10 Coraopolis, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Coraopolis High
- 11 School in 1964 where he played baseball, played trumpet in
- the marching band and punted for the football team.
- 13 (2) Mr. Harper graduated from the University of
- 14 Pittsburgh in 1968 with a degree in economics.
- 15 (3) Mr. Harper served honorably as a first lieutenant in
- Vietnam as a combat rifle platoon leader. Upon leaving the

- 1 Army, he returned home and was conferred a law degree by the
- 2 University of Pittsburgh in 1974 and began his legal career
- 3 with Alter, Wright and Baron. He then served as a managing
- 4 partner at Springer, Bush and Perry before joining Tucker
- 5 Arensberg to manage the firm's airport office. He practiced
- 6 law for 36 years.
- 7 (4) Mr. Harper served as Moon Township supervisor from
- 8 1980 to 1983 and was active in numerous civic organizations
- 9 where he selflessly worked to improve the community for
- 10 future generations. He was instrumental in bringing
- infrastructure improvements to the township and was
- 12 responsible for bringing Montour Heights Country Club to its
- 13 current location on Coraopolis Heights Road.
- 14 (5) Mr. Harper was a lifelong member of the Coraopolis
- 15 United Methodist Church where he served as a congregational
- lay leader, singer in the choir and active participant in the
- 17 life of the church. In addition, he served as the chairman of
- 18 the United Methodist Foundation of Western Pennsylvania.
- 19 (6) Mr. Harper is survived by his loving wife of 38
- years, Barbara; three sons, Robert Evan (Caitlin), Reid
- 21 Andrew and James Randall; and a granddaughter, Margaret Ruth.
- He also leaves behind a brother, Jack, and was preceded in
- death by his parents, Harold and Ruth Harper.
- 24 (b) Designation.--Business Route 60 at Thorn Run Road in
- 25 Moon Township, Allegheny County, is hereby designated as the
- 26 Robert E. Harper Interchange.
- 27 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
- 28 maintain appropriate signs to indicate the designation under
- 29 subsection (b).
- 30 Section 2. Effective date.

1 This act shall take effect in 120 days.