

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 712 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY ROCK, KAUFFMAN, AUMENT, BEAR, BENNINGHOFF, BISHOP, BOYD, BRADFORD, BROOKS, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, CHRISTIANA, COHEN, CONKLIN, D. COSTA, CUTLER, DAY, DELOZIER, DENLINGER, DIGIROLAMO, EVERETT, FABRIZIO, FLECK, GABLER, GEIST, GEORGE, GILLEN, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRELL, GROVE, HARHART, HENNESSEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, HORNAMAN, KAVULICH, M.K. KELLER, KILLION, KIRKLAND, KORTZ, KULA, MAJOR, MANN, MARSHALL, MARSICO, MATZIE, MILLARD, MILNE, MOUL, MURT, MUSTIO, PAYNE, PEIFER, PYLE, RAPP, REED, REESE, REICHLEY, ROAE, ROSS, SCAVELLO, SONNEY, STERN, STEVENSON, SWANGER, J. TAYLOR, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WATSON AND YOUNGBLOOD, FEBRUARY 16, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 16, 2011

AN ACT

1 Designating State Route 997 within the limits of the Borough of
 2 Mont Alto, Franklin County, as the Sgt. Edward W. Shaffer
 3 Memorial Highway.

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

6 Section 1. Sgt. Edward W. Shaffer Memorial Highway.

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

9 (1) Sgt. Edward W. Shaffer from Franklin County died
 10 December 27, 2006, at 23 years of age, from severe burn
 11 injuries sustained during combat by a roadside bomb on
 12 November 13, 2006, while serving in Iraq. He was assigned to
 13 the 1st Battalion, 36th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat
 14 Team, 1st Armored Division during Operation Iraqi Freedom. He

1 was the first soldier from Franklin County to die in the war.

2 (2) Sgt. Shaffer was a 2002 graduate of Waynesboro Area
3 Senior High School. He enlisted in the Army in 2003, served
4 in Germany and Kuwait before going to Iraq and served in Iraq
5 for approximately eight months before the explosion.

6 (3) Sgt. Shaffer was a gunner in a Bradley tank during
7 operations in Ramadi, the capital of Anbar, about 70 miles
8 west of Baghdad when the roadside bomb exploded.

9 (4) Sgt. Shaffer was awarded two Purple Heart medals
10 during his service with the United States Army.

11 (b) Designation.--State Route 997 within the limits of the
12 Borough of Mont Alto, Franklin County, is hereby designated as
13 the Sgt. Edward W. Shaffer Memorial Highway.

14 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
15 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway
16 designated under subsection (b) to traffic in both directions.
17 Section 2. Effective date.

18 This act shall take effect in 60 days.