
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2486 Session of
2012

INTRODUCED BY MCGEEHAN, JUNE 18, 2012

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 18, 2012

AN ACT

1 Designating the bridge carrying Torresdale Avenue, State Route
2 1004, over the Pennypack Creek, in Philadelphia County, as
3 the Paul W. Kauffman Memorial Bridge.

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

6 Section 1. Paul W. Kauffman Memorial Bridge.

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

9 (1) Paul W. Kauffman was a resident of Upper Holmesburg
10 for 52 years along with his wife Lorraine.

11 (2) Mr. Kaufmann was the driving force behind an effort
12 to turn a vacant lot into the Trumbette Playground that now
13 has three ball fields, a basketball court and climbing
14 equipment for children. Mr. Kauffmann maintained the park
15 every day by cleaning up waste and locking and unlocking the
16 gate.

17 (3) Mr. Kauffman was a community activist who became the
18 face of the Upper Holmesburg Civic Association after it was
19 reformed in 2004. His involvement in the Upper Holmesburg

1 Civic Association led to involvement in other Northeastern
2 Philadelphia civic associations as well as the 8th Police
3 District Advisory Committee.

4 (4) Mr. Kauffmann also led Upper Holmesburg
5 beautification projects that included the planting of trees
6 and the installation of benches, banners and additional
7 lighting along Frankford Avenue.

8 (5) Mr. Kauffman served as a Democratic committeeman in
9 the 65th Ward and was a frequent sight at the offices of his
10 city and State representatives.

11 (6) Mr. Kauffmann passed away August 22, 2011.

12 (b) Designation.--The bridge carrying Torresdale Avenue,
13 State Route 1004, over the Pennypack Creek in Philadelphia
14 County, is designated as the Paul W. Kauffman Memorial Bridge.

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

18 Section 2. Effective date.

19 This act shall take effect in 60 days.