

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 178 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY SNYDER, READSHAW, FREEMAN, KINSEY, KNOWLES, DIGIROLAMO, THOMAS, HENNESSEY, CONKLIN, CAUSER, COHEN, TOEPEL, YOUNGBLOOD, CALTAGIRONE, BROWNLEE, BARRAR, HAHN, McNEILL, KAUFFMAN, WATSON, MARSICO, COX, TALLMAN, W. KELLER, PAYNE, LONGIETTI, DONATUCCI, A. HARRIS, GILLEN, MATZIE, MILLARD, DUSH, GRELL, O'NEILL, D. COSTA, MURT, FARINA, SCHWEYER, JOZWIAK, GABLER, M. K. KELLER, MAJOR, GIBBONS AND McCARTER, JANUARY 23, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 23, 2015

AN ACT

1 Designating a section of State Route 43 at the Mon-Fayette
 2 Expressway Interchange with State Route 88, known as Exit 28,
 3 in Fayette County as the Marine Cpl. Thomas R. Matty Memorial
 4 Interchange.

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

7 Section 1. Marine Cpl. Thomas R. Matty Memorial Interchange.

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

10 (1) Thomas Richard Matty was born on October 4, 1945, in
 11 Denbo, Pennsylvania.

12 (2) He was a 1963 graduate of Bethlehem Center High
 13 School where he excelled in many sports, especially baseball.
 14 He received a business administration degree from the
 15 Educational Institute of Pittsburgh in 1965.

16 (3) Thomas R. Matty enlisted in the United States Marine

1 Corps in 1966. He attended boot camp training at Parris
2 Island and additional training at Camp Lejeune and at El
3 Toro, California. He arrived in Vietnam on November 9, 1967.

4 (4) Marine Cpl. Thomas R. Matty made the ultimate
5 sacrifice for his country when he was killed in the vicinity
6 of Quang Nam Province in South Vietnam on December 21, 1967,
7 at 22 years of age.

8 (5) Bethlehem Center High School continues to honor
9 Marine Cpl. Thomas R. Matty by giving an award to a senior
10 class member in his honor.

11 (b) Designation.--The section of State Route 43 in Fayette
12 County at the Mon-Fayette Expressway Interchange with State
13 Route 88, known as Exit 28, is hereby designated the Marine Cpl.
14 Thomas R. Matty Memorial Interchange.

15 (c) Signs.--The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect
16 and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the
17 interchange.

18 Section 2. Effective date.

19 This act shall take effect in 60 days.