

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 438 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY WHITE AND WARD, FEBRUARY 12, 2015

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 12, 2015

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 982 over the
 2 Loyalhanna Creek, Westmoreland County, as the Lance Corporal
 3 Joseph E. Roble Memorial Bridge.

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

6 Section 1. Lance Corporal Joseph E. Roble Memorial Bridge.

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

9 (1) Lance Corporal Joseph E. Roble was a native of
 10 Latrobe, Westmoreland County.

11 (2) On September 16, 1968, Lance Corporal Roble
 12 courageously gave his life while serving his country in the
 13 vicinity of Quang Tri Province, Republic of Vietnam as an M79
 14 grenadier with the 3rd Platoon, Company E, 2nd Battalion,
 15 26th Marines, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade. Lance Corporal
 16 Roble, without hesitation or regard for his personal safety,
 17 rushed into enemy fire to assist fellow wounded Marines and
 18 protect them from further harm. He continued to engage the
 19 enemy, repeatedly exposing himself to small arms fire and

1 grenades.

2 (3) Lance Corporal Roble was posthumously awarded the
3 Bronze Star in recognition of his courageous actions,
4 initiative and total dedication to duty.

5 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on State Route 982 in
6 Westmoreland County over the Loyalhanna Creek is hereby
7 designated the Lance Corporal Joseph E. Roble Memorial Bridge.

8 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
9 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
10 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

11 Section 2. Effective date.

12 This act shall take effect in 60 days.