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 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA
 

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# HOUSE BILL

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BARBIN, MICCARELLI AND MARSHALL, MAY 23, 2017

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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, IN SENATE, JUNE 26, 2017

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## AN ACT

1 Designating ~~a~~ THAT portion of State Routes 54, 901 and 2023 in <--  
2 Northumberland County and Schuylkill County as the Honorable  
3 Robert E. Belfanti, Jr., Memorial Highway-; DESIGNATING EXIT <--  
4 18 OF STATE ROUTE 43, KNOWN AS THE SEARIGHTS ROAD  
5 INTERCHANGE, IN FAYETTE COUNTY AS THE STAFF SGT. JOHN P.  
6 WANTO VIETNAM VETERAN EXIT; DESIGNATING EXIT 15 OF STATE  
7 ROUTE 43, KNOWN AS THE OLD PITTSBURGH ROAD INTERCHANGE, IN  
8 FAYETTE COUNTY AS THE LANCE CORPORAL RUSSELL W. NAUGLE  
9 VIETNAM VETERAN EXIT; DESIGNATING A BRIDGE ON THAT PORTION OF  
10 STATE ROUTE 2003 OVER THE YELLOW BREECHES CREEK, SOUTH  
11 MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, AS THE SGT. ADAM C.  
12 SCHOELLER MEMORIAL BRIDGE; DESIGNATING A PORTION OF STATE  
13 ROUTE 18 IN WEST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, AS  
14 THE STAFF SERGEANT JAMES DOUGLAS MOWRIS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY;  
15 DESIGNATING A PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 100 FROM THE  
16 INTERSECTION OF MAIN STREET AND TILGHMAN STREET IN UPPER  
17 MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, TO THE INTERSECTION OF  
18 CLAUSSVILLE ROAD AND KERNSVILLE ROAD IN LOWHILL TOWNSHIP,  
19 LEHIGH COUNTY, AS THE CAPTAIN MARK T. RESH MEMORIAL HIGHWAY;  
20 DESIGNATING A BRIDGE ON THAT PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 18  
21 (COLLEGE AVENUE) OVER THE LITTLE SHENANGO RIVER, GREENVILLE  
22 BOROUGH, MERCER COUNTY, AS THE GREENVILLE VETERANS MEMORIAL  
23 BRIDGE; DESIGNATING THAT PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 3078 AND  
24 STATE ROUTE 3090 IN YORK COUNTY FROM THE INTERSECTION WITH  
25 STATE ROUTE 116 TO THE INTERSECTION WITH STATE ROUTE 3042 AS  
26 THE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD R. GISE MEMORIAL ROAD;  
27 DESIGNATING A BRIDGE ON THAT PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 1005,  
28 KNOWN AS CHURCH VIEW ROAD, SEGMENT 0180, OFFSET 0000, OVER  
29 BEAVER CREEK, SOUTH WOODBURY TOWNSHIP, BEDFORD COUNTY, AS THE

1 PFC/POW WILLIAM G. KOONTZ MEMORIAL BRIDGE; ~~AND~~ DESIGNATING A <--  
2 BRIDGE ON THAT PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 588 OVER INTERSTATE  
3 376, CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, AS THE TFC BLAKE T.  
4 COBLE MEMORIAL BRIDGE; ~~AND~~ DESIGNATING THE BRIDGE CARRYING <--  
5 STATE ROUTE 3012 OVER THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BETWEEN CITY  
6 ISLAND AND THE INTERSECTION WITH STATE ROUTE 1010 AND STATE  
7 ROUTE 1027, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE MARKET STREET BRIDGE,  
8 AS THE SENATOR HAROLD MOWERY MARKET STREET BRIDGE.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Honorable Robert E. Belfanti, Jr., Memorial Highway.

12 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as  
13 follows:

14 (1) The Honorable Robert E. Belfanti, Jr., represented  
15 the 107th Legislative District, covering portions of  
16 Columbia, Montour, Northumberland and Schuylkill Counties  
17 from 1981 to 2010.

18 (2) During his 30 years in the House of Representatives,  
19 Representative Belfanti served on numerous committees and was  
20 chairperson of the Labor Relations Committee from 1993 to  
21 2010.

22 (3) Representative Belfanti was active on numerous State  
23 boards and commissions and championed workers, small  
24 businesses, veterans and improved accessibility for the  
25 disabled.

26 (4) Representative Belfanti attended Mount Carmel area  
27 schools and was a lifelong scout, earning the rank of Eagle  
28 Scout in 1962 and returning to scouting as an adult as a  
29 charter member of Cub Scout Pack 3178.

30 (5) Representative Belfanti and his wife, Cecilia, were  
31 instrumental in bringing scouting back to the Mount Carmel  
32 area following a long dormancy, and Representative Belfanti  
33 received numerous awards during his 25 years of service.

34 (6) Before becoming a State Representative,

1 Representative Belfanti enlisted in the United States Marine  
2 Corps in 1967 and served a 13-month tour of duty in the  
3 Vietnam War with helicopter units that supplied troops,  
4 ammunition and medical supplies to Marines. His CH-46  
5 helicopters, known as Sea Knights, were also the major means  
6 for rescuing and providing medivacs for the wounded.

7 (7) Representative Belfanti rose to the rank of sergeant  
8 before being honorably discharged in 1971. Among his  
9 decorations were two Bronze Stars with Valor, the Combat  
10 Action Ribbon, the Presidential Unit Citation, the Vietnam  
11 Campaign Medal, the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry and the  
12 Vietnam Service Medal.

13 (8) Representative Belfanti was active in numerous  
14 veteran organizations and cofounded the Black Diamond  
15 Detachment of the Marine Corps League, as well as a life  
16 member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), AMVETS and  
17 Veterans of the Vietnam War. Representative Belfanti was  
18 named Veteran of the Year by the National War Veterans  
19 Council and also received the Patriot of the Year award.

20 (9) Representative Belfanti's legacy includes saving the  
21 former Shamokin State General Hospital from divestiture, the  
22 opening of State Correctional Institution Coal Township,  
23 resolving issues related to the Centralia mine fire, the  
24 Shamokin Creek project, championing numerous abandoned mine  
25 reclamation projects and helping with many rail improvement  
26 and economic development projects in the district.

27 (10) Representative Belfanti was also instrumental in  
28 securing funding for the State Route 901 widening project  
29 from Locust Summit to Interstate 81, as well as the Strong  
30 Connector improvement project.

1 (b) Designation.--The portion of State Routes 54 and 901 in  
2 Northumberland County and Schuylkill County from the  
3 intersection of State Route 54, State Route 901 and State Route  
4 2023, also known as the Mount Carmel Merriam Highway, in Mount  
5 Carmel Township, Northumberland County, to the intersection of  
6 State Route 901, also known as Fairgrounds Road, and High Road  
7 in Butler Township, Schuylkill County, is hereby designated as  
8 the Honorable Robert E. Belfanti, Jr., Memorial Highway.

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

12 SECTION 2. STAFF SGT. JOHN P. WANTO VIETNAM VETERAN EXIT. <--

13 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
14 FOLLOWS:

15 (1) STAFF SERGEANT JOHN P. WANTO SERVED WITH THE UNITED  
16 STATES ARMY, A COMPANY, FIRST BATTALION, 506TH INFANTRY,  
17 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION.

18 (2) ON MARCH 21, 1970, STAFF SERGEANT WANTO WAS KILLED  
19 IN ACTION IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE, VIETNAM.

20 (B) DESIGNATION.--EXIT 18 OF STATE ROUTE 43, KNOWN AS THE  
21 SEARIGHTS ROAD INTERCHANGE, IN FAYETTE COUNTY IS HEREBY  
22 DESIGNATED THE STAFF SGT. JOHN P. WANTO VIETNAM VETERAN EXIT.

23 (C) SIGNS.--THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION SHALL ERECT  
24 AND MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE EXIT  
25 TO TRAFFIC ON THE HIGHWAY NEAR THE EXIT.

26 SECTION 3. LANCE CORPORAL RUSSELL W. NAUGLE VIETNAM VETERAN  
27 EXIT.

28 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

29 (1) LANCE CORPORAL RUSSELL W. NAUGLE SERVED WITH THE  
30 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, C COMPANY, FIRST BATTALION, FIRST

1 MARINE DIVISION, III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE.

2 (2) ON FEBRUARY 15, 1968, LANCE CORPORAL NAUGLE WAS  
3 KILLED IN ACTION IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE, VIETNAM.

4 (B) DESIGNATION.--EXIT 15 OF STATE ROUTE 43, KNOWN AS THE  
5 OLD PITTSBURGH ROAD INTERCHANGE, IN FAYETTE COUNTY IS HEREBY  
6 DESIGNATED THE LANCE CORPORAL RUSSELL W. NAUGLE VIETNAM VETERAN  
7 EXIT.

8 (C) SIGNS.--THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION SHALL ERECT  
9 AND MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE EXIT  
10 TO TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE HIGHWAY.

11 SECTION 4. SGT. ADAM C. SCHOELLER MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

12 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
13 FOLLOWS:

14 (1) ADAM C. SCHOELLER WAS RAISED IN SOUTH MIDDLETON  
15 TOWNSHIP AND GRADUATED FROM BOILING SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL IN  
16 2008.

17 (2) SGT. SCHOELLER SERVED HIS COUNTRY HONORABLY AS A  
18 UNITED STATES MARINE AND WAS DEPLOYED DURING OPERATION  
19 ENDURING FREEDOM.

20 (3) ON JANUARY 14, 2016, SGT. SCHOELLER GAVE HIS LIFE IN  
21 SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY WHEN HIS HELICOPTER COLLIDED WITH  
22 ANOTHER HELICOPTER OFF THE COAST OF OAHU'S WAIMEA BAY.

23 (4) SGT. SCHOELLER'S LEADERSHIP, DEDICATION AND BRAVERY  
24 DISTINGUISH HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY, EVIDENCED  
25 BY THE NUMEROUS HONORS HE RECEIVED DURING HIS ENLISTMENT IN  
26 THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORP, INCLUDING THE NAVY AND MARINE  
27 CORPS ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, INDIVIDUAL AIR MEDAL, STRIKE/FIGHT  
28 AIR MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL, SEA  
29 SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON, MARINE CORPS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL,  
30 AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE

1 MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION  
2 AND NATO MEDAL-ISAF AFGHANISTAN.

3 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE BRIDGE LOCATED ON STATE ROUTE 2003  
4 OVER THE YELLOW BREECHES CREEK, SOUTH MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP,  
5 CUMBERLAND COUNTY, IS HEREBY DESIGNATED THE SGT. ADAM C.  
6 SCHOELLER MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

7 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
8 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE BRIDGE TO  
9 TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE BRIDGE.

10 SECTION 5. STAFF SERGEANT JAMES DOUGLAS MOWRIS MEMORIAL  
11 HIGHWAY.

12 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
13 FOLLOWS:

14 (1) STAFF SERGEANT JAMES DOUGLAS MOWRIS, A NATIVE OF  
15 ADAMSVILLE, CRAWFORD COUNTY, ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES  
16 ARMY IN 1984 AFTER GRADUATION FROM CONNEAUT LAKE HIGH SCHOOL.

17 (2) OVER A PERIOD OF NEARLY 20 YEARS, STAFF SERGEANT  
18 MOWRIS HONORABLY SERVED HIS COUNTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY WITH THE  
19 UNITED STATES ARMY AND WITH THE ARMY RESERVE.

20 (3) STAFF SERGEANT MOWRIS SERVED IN OPERATIONS IN  
21 LOCATIONS ACROSS THE GLOBE, INCLUDING TURKEY, SAUDI ARABIA,  
22 SOMALIA, HONDURAS, EL SALVADOR, KOSOVO, CUBA AND AFGHANISTAN.

23 (4) THE DISTINGUISHED MILITARY CAREER OF STAFF SERGEANT  
24 MOWRIS ENDED ON JANUARY 29, 2004, WHEN HE WAS KILLED ALONG  
25 WITH SEVEN OTHER SOLDIERS IN AN EXPLOSION DURING THE CLEARING  
26 OF AN ENEMY WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION CACHE IN GHAZNI,  
27 AFGHANISTAN.

28 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE SECTION OF STATE ROUTE 18 IN WEST  
29 FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, FROM THE INTERSECTION  
30 WITH STATE ROUTE 322 TO THE CRAWFORD/MERCER COUNTY LINE IS

1 DESIGNATED AS THE STAFF SERGEANT JAMES DOUGLAS MOWRIS MEMORIAL  
2 HIGHWAY.

3 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
4 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE HIGHWAY TO  
5 TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE HIGHWAY.

6 SECTION 6. CAPTAIN MARK T. RESH MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

7 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
8 FOLLOWS:

9 (1) CAPTAIN MARK T. RESH, OF KILLEN, TEXAS, WAS A NATIVE  
10 OF FOGELSVILLE, LEHIGH COUNTY, AND A 1996 GRADUATE OF  
11 NORTHWESTERN LEHIGH HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE  
12 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, MATH CLUB AND STUDENT COUNCIL AND WAS  
13 CAPTAIN OF THE VARSITY SOCCER TEAM IN HIS SENIOR YEAR.

14 (2) IN 2001, CAPTAIN RESH GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY  
15 OF PITTSBURGH WITH A DEGREE IN ENGINEERING.

16 (3) CAPTAIN RESH SERVED AS AN APACHE HELICOPTER PILOT  
17 WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY, 4TH BATTALION, 227TH AVIATION  
18 REGIMENT, 1ST AIR CAVALRY BRIGADE, 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION IN  
19 SUPPORT OF OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

20 (4) ON JANUARY 28, 2007, NEAR AN NAJAF, IRAQ, CAPTAIN  
21 RESH PLACED THE HELICOPTER HE WAS PILOTING IN THE DIRECT LINE  
22 OF ENEMY FIRE SO THAT ANOTHER AIR CREW THAT WAS UNDER ATTACK  
23 COULD MANEUVER OUT OF DANGER. OVER THE NEXT 15 MINUTES, HE  
24 BRAVELY FLEW IN THE FACE OF INTENSE ENEMY FIRE TO SUPPORT THE  
25 COALITION GROUND FORCES UNTIL HIS AIRCRAFT WAS STRUCK BY  
26 ENEMY FIRE AND CRASHED, KILLING CAPTAIN RESH.

27 (5) CAPTAIN RESH WAS AWARDED THE PURPLE HEART AND THE  
28 SILVER STAR FOR CONSPICUOUS GALLANTRY AND INTREPIDITY IN  
29 ACTION.

30 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE SECTION OF STATE ROUTE 100 FROM THE

1 INTERSECTION OF MAIN STREET AND TILGHMAN STREET IN UPPER  
2 MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, TO THE INTERSECTION OF  
3 CLAUSVILLE ROAD AND KERNSVILLE ROAD IN LOWHILL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH  
4 COUNTY, IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS THE CAPTAIN MARK T. RESH  
5 MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

6 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
7 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE HIGHWAY TO  
8 TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE HIGHWAY.

9 SECTION 7. GREENVILLE VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

10 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
11 FOLLOWS:

12 (1) GREENVILLE BOROUGH, MERCER COUNTY, HAS BEEN HOME TO  
13 MANY COURAGEOUS MILITARY VETERANS WHO HAVE FOUGHT FOR OUR  
14 FREEDOM.

15 (2) EVERY MEMORIAL DAY A CEREMONY IS HELD AT THE BRIDGE  
16 ON STATE ROUTE 18 (COLLEGE AVENUE) OVER THE LITTLE SHENANGO  
17 RIVER DURING WHICH THE GREENVILLE VFW DROPS A WREATH INTO THE  
18 RIVER IN HONOR OF THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED IN DEFENSE OF THE  
19 UNITED STATES.

20 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE BRIDGE LOCATED ON STATE ROUTE 18  
21 (COLLEGE AVENUE) IN GREENVILLE BOROUGH, MERCER COUNTY, OVER THE  
22 LITTLE SHENANGO RIVER IS HEREBY DESIGNATED THE GREENVILLE  
23 VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

24 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
25 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE BRIDGE TO  
26 TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE BRIDGE.

27 SECTION 8. PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD R. GISE MEMORIAL ROAD.

28 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
29 FOLLOWS:

30 (1) PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD R. GISE, AGE 25, FORMERLY

1 OF SPRING GROVE BOROUGH, YORK COUNTY, WAS KILLED IN ACTION ON  
2 OCTOBER 4, 1968, WHILE STATIONED IN MEKONG DELTA, VIETNAM,  
3 WHILE SERVING AS AN INFANTRYMAN WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

4 (2) PFC. GISE WAS BORN ON DECEMBER 20, 1942, AND  
5 GRADUATED FROM SPRING GROVE AREA HIGH SCHOOL IN 1960.

6 (3) PFC. GISE WAS DRAFTED INTO THE ARMY IN JANUARY 1968.

7 (4) PFC. GISE WAS AWARDED THE BRONZE STAR FOR HIS  
8 SERVICE AND HIS BRAVERY.

9 (5) PFC. GISE WAS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LINDA LOUIS  
10 GISE, WHOM HE HAD MARRIED IN 1963, AND HIS SON, DONALD  
11 RICHARD GISE, WHO WAS BORN 22 DAYS AFTER PFC. GISE WAS KILLED  
12 IN ACTION.

13 (B) DESIGNATION.--THAT PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 3078 AND STATE  
14 ROUTE 3090 IN YORK COUNTY FROM THE INTERSECTION WITH STATE ROUTE  
15 116 TO THE INTERSECTION WITH STATE ROUTE 3042 IS HEREBY  
16 DESIGNATED THE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD R. GISE MEMORIAL ROAD.

17 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
18 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE ROAD TO  
19 TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE ROAD.

20 SECTION 9. PFC/POW WILLIAM G. KOONTZ MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

21 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
22 FOLLOWS:

23 (1) PFC WILLIAM G. KOONTZ OF NEW ENTERPRISE, WAS DRAFTED  
24 INTO THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING THE KOREAN WAR.

25 (2) PFC KOONTZ ARRIVED IN SOUTH KOREA ON MARCH 25, 1951,  
26 AND ALONG WITH OTHER NEW ARRIVALS WAS GIVEN ONLY FIVE DAYS OF  
27 BASIC COMBAT TRAINING BEFORE BEING SENT TO THE FRONT LINES.

28 (3) LESS THAN A MONTH LATER ON APRIL 22, 1951, THE  
29 SOVIET-BACKED CHINESE RED ARMY LAUNCHED A MASSIVE ASSAULT  
30 AGAINST THE UNITED NATIONS AND AMERICAN FORCES. PFC KOONTZ

1 WAS ON THE FRONT LINES THAT DAY WITH COMPANY E, 24TH  
2 DIVISION, EIGHTH ARMY.

3 (4) COMPANY E'S LOCATION WAS SOON OVERTAKEN BY THE  
4 CHINESE AND PFC KOONTZ ALONG WITH 13 OTHER MEN HID IN A CAVE  
5 TO AVOID CAPTURE. AFTER FOUR DAYS WITHOUT FOOD OR WATER, THE  
6 MEN WERE FORCED TO SURRENDER.

7 (5) PFC KOONTZ AND HIS FELLOW SOLDIERS WERE TAKEN TO A  
8 TEMPORARY PRISON CAMP, FROM WHICH THEY STARTED A MONTH-LONG  
9 MARCH NORTH TO A PERMANENT CAMP IN NORTH KOREA. MANY OF PFC  
10 KOONTZ'S COMPANIONS DID NOT SURVIVE THE JOURNEY.

11 (6) FOR 888 DAYS, PFC KOONTZ ENDURED THE BRUTAL  
12 CONDITIONS AT THE CHONG-SONG PRISON CAMP, LIVING IN MUD-  
13 WALLED HUTS WITHOUT SANITATION AND SURVIVING ON A DIET  
14 CONSISTING MOSTLY OF INFESTED GRAIN WHILE FORCED INTO HARD  
15 LABOR.

16 (7) ON AUGUST 11, 1953, PFC KOONTZ WAS RELEASED BY THE  
17 CHINESE AND EVENTUALLY RETURNED HOME TO PENNSYLVANIA, WHERE  
18 HE REUNITED WITH HIS FAMILY AND LIVED A FULL LIFE WITH HIS  
19 WIFE, TO WHOM HE WAS MARRIED FOR OVER 50 YEARS, TWO SONS,  
20 GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY OTHER RELATIVES.

21 (8) FOR HIS HEROISM AND SACRIFICE, PFC KOONTZ WAS  
22 AWARDED THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, THE ASIATIC PACIFIC THEATER  
23 RIBBON, THE WORLD WAR II VICTORY RIBBON AND THE ARMY  
24 OCCUPATION MEDAL (JAPAN).

25 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE BRIDGE LOCATED ON STATE ROUTE 1005,  
26 KNOWN AS CHURCH VIEW ROAD, SEGMENT 0180, OFFSET 0000, OVER  
27 BEAVER CREEK, IN SOUTH WOODBURY TOWNSHIP, BEDFORD COUNTY, IS  
28 HEREBY DESIGNATED THE PFC/POW WILLIAM G. KOONTZ MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

29 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
30 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE BRIDGE TO

1 TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE BRIDGE.

2 SECTION 10. TFC BLAKE T. COBLE MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

3 (A) FINDINGS AND DECLARATIONS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS  
4 AND DECLARES:

5 (1) TROOPER FIRST CLASS BLAKE T. COBLE, A MEMBER OF THE  
6 PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE, PASSED AWAY IN THE LINE OF DUTY AT  
7 THE AGE OF 47, ON OCTOBER 4, 2012.

8 (2) BORN IN PITTSBURGH ON NOVEMBER 15, 1964, TROOPER  
9 FIRST CLASS COBLE WAS THE SON OF TOM AND JUDY CLEGG COBLE.

10 (3) TROOPER FIRST CLASS COBLE WAS A MEMBER OF THE  
11 PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE FOR MORE THAN 24 YEARS, AND HE HAD  
12 BEEN ATTACHED TO THE BRIGHTON TOWNSHIP BARRACKS FOR NEARLY 20  
13 YEARS.

14 (4) A BELOVED FAMILY MEMBER, DEDICATED POLICE OFFICER  
15 AND AVOWED COMMUNITY STEWARD, TROOPER FIRST CLASS COBLE  
16 EXEMPLIFIED THE BEST QUALITIES OF THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE. HE  
17 GENEROUSLY GAVE OF HIS HEART AND TIME TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY  
18 OF LIFE OF HIS FAMILY AND COMMUNITY.

19 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE BRIDGE LOCATED ON STATE ROUTE 588 OVER  
20 INTERSTATE 376 IN CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, IS HEREBY  
21 DESIGNATED THE TFC BLAKE T. COBLE MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

22 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
23 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME OF THE BRIDGE TO  
24 TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE BRIDGE.

25 SECTION 11. SENATOR HAROLD MOWERY MARKET STREET BRIDGE. <--

26 (A) FINDINGS.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES AS  
27 FOLLOWS:

28 (1) HAROLD F. MOWERY, JR., WAS BORN JANUARY 4, 1930, IN  
29 CHAMBERSBURG AND WAS RAISED IN MECHANICSBURG.

30 (2) AS A GRADUATE OF MECHANICSBURG HIGH SCHOOL AND

1 DICKINSON COLLEGE, MR. MOWERY WAS A PRODUCT OF THE  
2 PENNSYLVANIA EDUCATION SYSTEM.

3 (3) MR. MOWERY ENTERED THE INSURANCE BUSINESS IN 1954  
4 AND EARNED A CHARTERED LIFE UNDERWRITER DEGREE. OVER SEVERAL  
5 DECADES, MR. MOWERY FOUNDED SEVERAL HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL  
6 INSURANCE BUSINESSES WHICH EMPLOYED HUNDREDS OF  
7 PENNSYLVANIANS.

8 (4) MR. MOWERY WAS ELECTED TO THE HOUSE OF  
9 REPRESENTATIVES OF PENNSYLVANIA IN 1976 AND WENT ON TO SERVE  
10 SEVEN TERMS. IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MR. MOWERY  
11 ACHIEVED A REPUTATION FOR EXPERTISE ON FISCAL AND PENSION  
12 ISSUES AND ADVOCATED FOR THE ADOPTION OF PRIVATE-SECTOR  
13 BUSINESS PRINCIPLES TO THE OPERATION OF PUBLIC PROGRAMS AND  
14 STATE SPENDING. HE WAS ALSO INSTRUMENTAL IN ESTABLISHING THE  
15 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT COMMISSION.

16 (5) IN 1990, MR. MOWERY BECAME PART OF STATE POLITICAL  
17 HISTORY AS THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
18 ON THE TICKET HEADED BY BARBARA HAFER.

19 (6) IN 1992, MR. MOWERY WAS ELECTED TO REPRESENT THE  
20 31ST DISTRICT IN THE SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA. HE SERVED WITH  
21 DISTINCTION UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT IN 2004.

22 (7) DURING HIS TIME IN THE SENATE, SENATOR MOWERY  
23 ENRICHED THE LIVES OF THOUSANDS AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE PUBLIC  
24 HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE AND VICE CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
25 EDUCATION COMMITTEE. HE ALSO SERVED AS VICE CHAIRPERSON OF  
26 THE LEGISLATIVE DATA PROCESSING COMMITTEE AND AS A RANK-AND-  
27 FILE MEMBER OF NUMEROUS STANDING COMMITTEES, INCLUDING  
28 BANKING AND INSURANCE, LAW AND JUSTICE AND LABOR AND  
29 INDUSTRY.

30 (8) DURING AND AFTER HIS PUBLIC SERVICE CAREER, SENATOR

1 MOWERY WAS A PROMINENT COMMUNITY LEADER. HE SUPPORTED THE  
2 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CAMP HILL LION FOUNDATION TO ENHANCE  
3 ACADEMIC, ATHLETIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES. HE WAS ALSO A  
4 SUPPORTER OF THE WHITAKER CENTER FOR SCIENCE AND THE ARTS,  
5 THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GRACE MILLIMAN POLLOCK PERFORMING  
6 ARTS CENTER AND THE PERFORMING ARTS, INCLUDING THE HARRISBURG  
7 SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. SENATOR MOWERY AIDED MANY CHARITIES BY  
8 SPONSORING AND SUPPORTING BENEFITS, GALAS AND COMMUNITY  
9 FUNDRAISERS.

10 (9) SENATOR MOWERY'S PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS,  
11 EXTENSIVE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND THE MYRIAD OF AWARDS AND  
12 ACCOLADES HE RECEIVED STAND AS STRONG TESTIMONY TO HIS  
13 GENUINE CONCERN FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND  
14 THE PEOPLE OF THE 31ST SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

15 (10) BY ALL ACCOUNTS, SENATOR MOWERY WAS A LOVING FAMILY  
16 MAN, A RESPECTED BUSINESSPERSON AND A DEDICATED AND  
17 ACCOMPLISHED PUBLIC SERVANT WORTHY OF EMULATION FOR  
18 GENERATIONS TO COME.

19 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE BRIDGE CARRYING STATE ROUTE 3012 OVER  
20 THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BETWEEN CITY ISLAND AND THE INTERSECTION  
21 WITH STATE ROUTE 1010 AND STATE ROUTE 1027, COMMONLY REFERRED TO  
22 AS THE MARKET STREET BRIDGE, IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS THE SENATOR  
23 HAROLD MOWERY MARKET STREET BRIDGE.

24 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
25 MAINTAIN ARCHITECTURALLY APPROPRIATE SIGNS DISPLAYING THE NAME  
26 OF THE BRIDGE TO TRAFFIC IN BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE BRIDGE.

27 Section ~~2~~ ~~11~~ 12. Effective date.

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28 This act shall take effect in 60 days.