
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1778 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY DAWKINS, CRUZ, TAYLOR, DONATUCCI, DRISCOLL,
HENNESSEY, KINSEY, BARRAR, BIZZARRO, THOMAS, RYAN, BURNS,
WARD, ROTHMAN, LONGIETTI, BAKER, HAHN, COX, TOEPEL, BARBIN,
O'NEILL, DiGIROLAMO, O'BRIEN, SOLOMON, MILLARD, READSHAW,
HEFFLEY, ROZZI, NEILSON, DAVIS, MARSICO, CALTAGIRONE, DEASY,
MURT, WATSON AND ROEBUCK, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1005, also
2 known as Castor Avenue, over the Frankford Creek in the City
3 of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, as the Officer Gary
4 Frank Skerski Memorial Bridge.

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

7 Section 1. Officer Gary Frank Skerski Memorial Bridge.

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

10 (1) Officer Gary Frank Skerski was born on September 25,
11 1959, to Chester and Mary Skerski.

12 (2) On May 8, 2006, at the age of 46, Officer Skerski
13 was shot and killed in the line of duty while responding to a
14 reported armed robbery at a cafe near the intersection of
15 Arrott and Adams Avenues in Frankford.

16 (3) Officer Skerski had served with the Philadelphia
17 Police Department for 16 years and was assigned to the 15th

1 District.

2 (4) Officer Skerski was a member of the Fraternal Order
3 of Police and the League of Sacred Heart of Jesus and was a
4 parishioner of Saint Adalbert Roman Catholic Church in Port
5 Richmond.

6 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on that portion of
7 State Route 1005, also known as Castor Avenue, over the
8 Frankford Creek in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia
9 County, is hereby designated as the Officer Gary Frank Skerski
10 Memorial Bridge.

11 (c) Signs.--The department shall erect and maintain
12 appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to traffic
13 in both directions on the bridge.

14 Section 2. Effective date.

15 This act shall take effect in 60 days.