

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 592 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY IRVIN, DONATUCCI, MURT, SONNEY, DIGIROLAMO, MILLARD, BERNSTINE, T. DAVIS, KORTZ, LONGIETTI, COX, SIMMONS, PICKETT, STAATS, KINSEY, WARNER, GROVE, RYAN, OBERLANDER, NEILSON, READSHAW, HILL-EVANS, DEASY, MARKOSEK, MULLINS AND SAINATO, MARCH 1, 2019

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 10, 2019

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 305
2 over Shaver's Creek in Barree Township, Huntingdon County, as
3 the Private Harold E. "Jim" Knode Memorial Bridge.

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

6 Section 1. Private Harold E. "Jim" Knode Memorial Bridge.

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

9 (1) PRIVATE HAROLD E. "JIM" KNODE WAS A NATIVE OF THE
10 MCALEVYS FORT AREA.

11 (2) IN FEBRUARY 1944, PRIVATE KNODE WAS DRAFTED INTO THE
12 UNITED STATES ARMY AT AGE 28 AND SERVED WITH THE 179TH
13 INFANTRY REGIMENT, 45TH INFANTRY DIVISION.

14 (3) ON NOVEMBER 28, 1944, PRIVATE KNODE WAS KILLED WHILE
15 CROSSING THE MOSELLE RIVER BETWEEN FRANCE AND GERMANY.

16 PRIVATE KNODE WAS INTERRED IN WHAT BECAME THE EPINAL AMERICAN

1 CEMETERY IN DINOZÉ, FRANCE.

2 (4) PRIVATE KNODE WAS AWARDED THE BRONZE STAR, THE  
3 PURPLE HEART, THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, THE EUROPEAN-AFRICAN  
4 MIDDLE EASTERN CAMPAIGN MEDAL, THE WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL  
5 AND A LAPEL BUTTON FOR HONORABLE SERVICE.

6 ~~(a)~~ (B) Designation.--The bridge located on Pennsylvania <--  
7 Route 305 in Barree Township, Huntingdon County, over Shaver's  
8 Creek is designated the Private Harold E. "Jim" Knode Memorial  
9 Bridge ~~in honor of Huntingdon County native Private Harold E.~~ <--  
10 ~~"Jim" Knode, who lost his life on November 28, 1944, while~~  
11 ~~serving with the United States Army in France during World War~~  
12 ~~II.~~

13 ~~(b)~~ (C) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect <--  
14 and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge  
15 to traffic in both directions on the bridge.

16 Section 2. Effective date.

17 This act shall take effect in 60 days.