

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 759 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY PITTMAN, JUNE 11, 2021

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 11, 2021

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 19033, on that
 2 portion of northbound State Route 119 over State Route 286 in
 3 White Township, Indiana County, as the Specialist Five
 4 Timothy Rice Memorial Bridge.

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

7 Section 1. Specialist Five Timothy Rice Memorial Bridge.

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

10 (1) Specialist Five Timothy Rice left high school
 11 several months before graduation to enlist in the United
 12 States Army during the Vietnam War, later receiving his
 13 diploma during a ceremony at his alma mater Marion Center
 14 High School.

15 (2) Specialist Five Rice was a heavy equipment operator
 16 for the 984 Engine Co. in Vietnam where he was injured.

17 (3) Due to his injuries, Specialist Five Rice earned two
 18 Purple Hearts and the Bronze Star and other noble military
 19 citations.

1 (4) While serving two tours of duty in Vietnam,
2 Specialist Five Rice contracted Agent Orange causing him
3 years of pain and suffering.

4 (5) Specialist Five Rice returned home after the war and
5 continued to work as a heavy equipment operator.

6 (6) With his wife, Specialist Five Rice owned and
7 operated Rice's Cafe and Store in Purchase Line for more than
8 25 years.

9 (7) Specialist Five Rice passed away on November 24,
10 2020.

11 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key
12 19033, located on northbound State Route 119 over State Route
13 286 in White Township, Indiana County, is designated the
14 Specialist Five Timothy Rice Memorial Bridge.

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

18 Section 2. Effective date.

19 This act shall take effect in 60 days.