

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 154 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY LANGERHOLC, JANUARY 19, 2023

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 19, 2023

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8654, carrying  
 2 State Route 3035 over the Little Conemaugh River in East  
 3 Taylor Township, Cambria County, as the East Taylor Township  
 4 Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as  
 5 Bridge Key 43558, carrying U.S. Route 22 over a tributary of  
 6 Hinckston Run in Jackson Township, Cambria County, as the  
 7 Officer Matthew Krupa Memorial Bridge; and designating a  
 8 bridge, identified as Bridge Key 55994, carrying State Route  
 9 4002 over California Run in Cambria Township, Cambria County,  
 10 as the Senior Chief Stanley "Stush" Kubat, Jr., Memorial  
 11 Bridge.

12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
 13 hereby enacts as follows:

14 Section 1. East Taylor Township Veterans Memorial Bridge.

15 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares that  
 16 this Commonwealth and the nation are indebted to the veterans of  
 17 East Taylor Township, Cambria County, for their bravery, heroism  
 18 and sacrifice in protecting freedom and liberty both at home and  
 19 abroad.

20 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8654,  
 21 carrying State Route 3035 over the Little Conemaugh River in  
 22 East Taylor Township, Cambria County, is designated the East  
 23 Taylor Township Veterans Memorial Bridge.

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

4 Section 2. Officer Matthew Krupa Memorial Bridge.

5 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as  
6 follows:

7 (1) Officer Matthew Krupa was born July 25, 1993, in  
8 Johnstown.

9 (2) Officer Krupa was raised in Nanty Glo.

10 (3) Officer Krupa graduated from Central Cambria High  
11 School.

12 (4) Officer Krupa sought out to live his childhood dream  
13 by becoming a police officer.

14 (5) Officer Krupa graduated from the police academy and  
15 started to serve the area as a police officer.

16 (6) Officer Krupa served as a police officer for Portage  
17 Borough, Ferndale Borough, Saint Francis University, Indiana  
18 University of Pennsylvania and Conemaugh Hospital.

19 (7) In 2018, Officer Krupa moved to San Antonio, Texas,  
20 where he was employed with the Gonzales County Sheriff's  
21 Office and with the San Antonio Independent School District  
22 Police Department.

23 (8) On February 4, 2021, Officer Krupa was dressed in  
24 full uniform and on his way to work when he was involved in a  
25 line of duty car crash that took his life.

26 (9) Officer Krupa's lifelong dream was to become a K-9  
27 officer, and he was in training when he was killed.

28 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key  
29 43558, carrying U.S. Route 22 over a tributary of Hinckston Run  
30 in Jackson Township, Cambria County, is designated the Officer

1 Matthew Krupa Memorial Bridge.

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

5 Section 3. Senior Chief Stanley "Stush" Kubat, Jr., Memorial  
6 Bridge.

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

9 (1) Stanley Kubat, Jr., was born June 29, 1973, in  
10 Johnstown.

11 (2) Senior Chief Kubat served our country for 23 years  
12 in the United States Navy.

13 (3) Senior Chief Kubat was awarded a Bronze Star for his  
14 service to our nation.

15 (4) Senior Chief Kubat enjoyed golfing, hunting and  
16 fishing.

17 (5) Senior Chief Kubat passed away on November 9, 2022.

18 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key  
19 55994, carrying State Route 4002 over California Run in Cambria  
20 Township, Cambria County, is designated the Senior Chief Stanley  
21 "Stush" Kubat, Jr., 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 4. Effective date.

26 This act shall take effect in 60 days.