

## No. 2016-46

## AN ACT

SB 1153

## Designating:

- A portion of State Routes 108 and 551 in Lawrence County as the Battery B Memorial Highway.
- A bridge on that portion of State Route 403 over the Two Lick Creek, Borough of Clymer, Indiana County, as the Sergeant James Robert Pantall Memorial Bridge.
- A bridge on that portion of State Route 580 over the Susquehanna River, Cherry Tree Borough, Indiana County, as the Airman Second Class Gerald Emmett Johnson Memorial Bridge.
- A bridge on State Route 2014 over the Muncy Creek in Muncy Creek Township, Lycoming County, as the Private Walter L. Smith Spanish-American War Memorial Bridge.
- A portion of State Route 2044 in Lycoming County as the Lance Corporal William F. Merrill Vietnam Veterans Highway.
- The bridge on State Route 225 that crosses the Armstrong Creek in Halifax Township, Dauphin County, as the Staff Sergeant Brian K. Mowery Memorial Bridge.
- A bridge on that portion of State Route 1026, Section 004 over the Cocalico Creek, Denver Borough, and West Cocalico Township, Lancaster County, as the Samuel L. Snyder Memorial Bridge.
- An overpass on State Route 49 over State Route 15, Lawrence Township, Tioga County, as the Lance Corporal Michael G. Plank Memorial Bridge.
- A portion of Blair Mill Road in Montgomery County as the PVT William H. Walls, U.S.M.C. Memorial Highway.
- The overpass on State Route 3145 over Interstate 376, BMS 02-3145-0010-0537, in the Market District at Settlers Ridge, Robinson Township, Allegheny County, as the Roy F. Johns, Jr., Overpass.
- A portion of State Route 51 North in the Borough of Coraopolis, Allegheny County, as the Fred A. Trello Memorial Boulevard.
- A certain interchange in New Stanton Borough, Westmoreland County, as the Edwin "Lance" Wentzel Memorial Interchange.
- The bridge carrying State Route 2005 (Business Route 222) over the Schuylkill River, Riverfront Drive and Norfolk Southern Railroad in the City of Reading, Berks County, commonly referred to as the Bingaman Street Bridge, as the 65th U.S. Infantry Regiment, Borinqueneers Memorial Bridge.
- A bridge on that portion of State Route 36 over the Chest Creek, Patton Borough, Cambria County, as the Martin Joseph Davis Memorial Bridge.
- A portion of State Route 1008 in Fayetteville, Franklin County, as the James W. Cutchall Memorial Highway.
- A bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 15 over State Route 114, Mechanicsburg Borough, Cumberland County, as the Corporal Jonathan Dean Faircloth Memorial Bridge.
- The bridge on that portion of Township Route 431/436, Cooney Road, over U.S. Route 22 in Munster Township, Cambria County, as the PFC Thomas A. Cooney Memorial Bridge.
- The bridge on Tower Road spanning U.S. Route 219 in Croyle Township, Cambria County, as the Trooper Herbert A. Wirfel Memorial Bridge.
- A bridge on that portion of Greenwood Avenue over the SEPTA tracks in Cheltenham Township and Jenkintown Borough, Montgomery County, as the Honorable Lawrence H. Curry Bridge.

- A bridge on that portion of State Route 144 over the Bald Eagle Creek, Milesburg Borough, Centre County, as the Veterans Bridge.
- An interchange on Pennsylvania Turnpike Route 66 in Westmoreland County as the David B. Sheridan Memorial Interchange.
- A bridge on that portion of State Route 217 over the Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks and 2nd Street in Derry Borough, Westmoreland County, as the Derry Veterans Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 1. Battery B Memorial Highway.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) On the morning of June 8, 1861, the Mount Jackson Guards of Mount Jackson, Lawrence County, gathered at the Mount Jackson Methodist Episcopal Church on present-day State Route 108 to bid goodbye to loved ones before going off to fight in the Civil War, which many believed would be a grand adventure.

(2) These men were farmers, school teachers, clerks and laborers from North Beaver Township, Little Beaver Township, Mahoning Township, New Castle and other areas of Lawrence County.

(3) The gathering point is now the site of the Battery B Monument placed by veterans in 1923, which sits on the west side of Battery B Cemetery, also known as Mt. Jackson M.E. Cemetery, to commemorate this event.

(4) The group of more than 80 young men started off on foot for the nine-mile journey to the railroad station in Enon, traveling on present-day State Routes 108 and 551, being hailed by local supporters as they began their epic journey, and sometimes being offered wagon rides from local farmers to ease their trip to Enon.

(5) The Mount Jackson Guards, later designated Battery B, First Pennsylvania Light Artillery, along with many other Lawrence County regiments, boarded the train to Camp Wright, Camp Wilkins and other training camps in the Pittsburgh area to prepare themselves for Camp Curtin in Harrisburg and to fight the bloodiest battles of the Civil War.

(6) Battery B distinguished itself in major battles, such as Fredericksburg, Antietam, Gettysburg and Petersburg, and because they served until Lee's surrender at Appomattox in April 1865, they hold the record for the highest amount of casualties of any artillery unit in the Civil War.

(7) Many members of Battery B were present in the Grand Review of Troops in Washington, DC, and, from 1869 to 1930, Battery B held elaborate reunions in Mount Jackson, including locals, Lawrence County residents, State dignitaries, military officers, Battery B members from almost every county in Pennsylvania and most of the 48 states, as well as veterans from other Pennsylvania regiments.

(8) As many as 2,000 people gathered in the little village of Mount Jackson to honor this illustrious group of men, to hear speeches by the members that reminisced about their experiences and to join in a picnic prepared by the proud citizens of the town.

(9) Recently, an article from the New Castle News was discovered, reporting that on September 26, 1925, a parade was given to celebrate the completion of the concrete road from Derringer's Corners, North Beaver Township, continuing to the village of Enon Valley, Little Beaver Township.

(10) The article suggested on that historic occasion that State Routes 108 and 551 from Mount Jackson to Enon Valley be named the "Battery B Highway."

(11) The members of the Enon Valley Community Historical Society have proposed that this old suggestion made 90 years ago become a reality.

(b) Designation.—The section of State Routes 108 and 551 in Lawrence County from the intersection of State Route 108 and Old Hickory Road at the Battery B Monument to State Route 551 ending at the railroad tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Enon Valley, is hereby designated the Battery B Memorial Highway.

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

#### Section 2. Sergeant James Robert Pantall Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Sergeant James Robert Pantall grew up in the Borough of Clymer, where he attended Penns Manor High School.

(2) Sergeant Pantall served his country honorably in Vietnam as a member of the 329th Transportation Company, 5th Transportation Command.

(3) On November 3, 1970, Sergeant Pantall was a passenger on Landing Craft Utility #63 that capsized five nautical miles south of the port at Tan My, Vietnam. His remains were not recovered.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on State Route 403 in the Borough of Clymer, Indiana County, over the Two Lick Creek is hereby designated the Sergeant James Robert Pantall Memorial Bridge.

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

#### Section 3. Airman Second Class Gerald Emmett Johnson Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Airman Second Class Gerald Emmett Johnson of Arcadia was a crew member of a B-29A Superfortress Bomber with the 371st Bomber Squadron, 307th Bomber Wing during the Korean War.

(2) On October 23, 1951, the aircraft was shot down by enemy MIGs over Namsi Airfield and Airman Second Class Johnson was taken as a prisoner of war.

(3) Airman Second Class Johnson was declared dead on January 28, 1954.

(4) Airman Second Class Johnson was awarded the Air Medal, the Purple Heart, the Prisoner of War Medal, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation and the Republic of Korea War Service Medal.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on State Route 580 over the Susquehanna River in Cherry Tree Borough, Indiana County, is hereby designated the Airman Second Class Gerald Emmett Johnson Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 4. Private Walter L. Smith Spanish-American War Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Private Walter L. Smith was born on April 27, 1877, in Muncy, Lycoming County. He was the son of David S. Smith, a Civil War veteran, and Hannah (Colley) Smith. Private Smith served in the Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection.

(2) Private Smith first entered the service at Williamsport on May 7, 1898, and mustered into service May 12, 1898, as a private in Company D, 12th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He mustered out and was honorably discharged on November 1, 1898.

(3) Private Smith reenlisted on November 11, 1898, at Philadelphia during the Time of the Peace Jubilee, with the rank of Private in the U.S. Army, Company I, 1st U.S. Volunteer Infantry, as a member of the foot service, heavy artillery. From December 29, 1898, to September 6, 1900, he was assigned to Guanajay Barracks, Cuba. He arrived in the Philippines on April 15, 1901.

(4) On July 28, 1901, while on a supply patrol with a small detachment, Private Smith bravely and selflessly defended members of his company against an overwhelming ambush attack by approximately 60 native insurgents at Don Carlon, Samar, Philippine Islands. During the engagement, his Sergeant, the only other man who was armed, was shot and killed by the insurgents. As Private Smith courageously and fearlessly fought alone, two unarmed soldiers were able to escape and return to camp. Private Smith was soon overpowered by the enemy and severely wounded, being stabbed several times. He was captured and taken prisoner. The U.S. Army conducted multiple searches to locate Private Smith.

(5) Private Walter L. Smith was listed as missing in action until February 10, 1902, when the fact was established, beyond a doubt, that he had met his death at the hands of the insurgents on the date of his capture, July 28, 1901. His remains were never recovered for return home to his family in Muncy.

(b) Designation.—The bridge on State Route 2014 over the Muncy Creek in Muncy Creek Township, Lycoming County, is hereby designated the Private Walter L. Smith Spanish-American War Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 5. Lance Corporal William F. Merrill Vietnam Veterans Highway.

(a) Findings.—

(1) Lance Corporal William Franklin Merrill was born August 20, 1948, in Muncy, Lycoming County, to Joseph A. and Sheila (Wolfe) Merrill.

(2) Lance Corporal Merrill was a resident of Muncy before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps on May 6, 1968, at 20 years of age.

(3) Lance Corporal Merrill was assigned to India Company, Third Battalion, First Marines in Vietnam as a radioman.

(4) On May 12, 1969, while on a search and clear mission, Lance Corporal Merrill's company came under heavy enemy small arms and repeating fire.

(5) With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Lance Corporal Merrill ran across open and fire-swept terrain to retrieve a fallen comrade.

(6) Lance Corporal Merrill immediately administered first aid to the wounded marine and carried the marine to a safer area where he could receive further treatment, helping to save his life.

(7) On August 7, 1969, Lance Corporal Merrill himself was wounded but returned to duty.

(8) On November 26, 1969, the first squad of the third platoon, including squad leaders and lieutenants, was sent on a special night activity to conduct an ambush.

(9) After the ambush, as nine marines were returning to their company's position, a wire attached to a booby trap was tripped.

(10) Lance Corporal Merrill guarded the device and called for his sergeant as the rest of the marines made their way through the danger area.

(11) After the other marines had safely crossed the ravine where the booby trap was located, the device detonated, killing Lance Corporal Merrill instantly and fatally wounding his sergeant.

(b) Designation.—The section of State Route 2044 in Lycoming County from the bridge over Glade Run to the intersection of State Routes 405 and 422 is hereby designated the Lance Corporal William F. Merrill Vietnam Veterans Highway.

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

#### Section 6. Staff Sergeant Brian K. Mowery Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Brian K. Mowery was born on December 30, 1961, to Harry E. and Patricia M. Mowery.

(2) Staff Sergeant Mowery served in the United States Marine Corps from 1979 through 1985.

(3) In 2000, Staff Sergeant Mowery enlisted in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard - Kutztown as an infantry team leader and a motor transport operator. During this time, he served in the Kosovo Peacekeeping Mission from 2003 through 2004 and in disaster relief after Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

(4) Staff Sergeant Mowery proudly served in the 131st Transportation Company of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard -

Williamstown starting in 2010 and was stationed in Afghanistan from January 2011 until his death.

(5) While transporting necessary supplies near Bagram, Afghanistan, his convoy was attacked, and Staff Sergeant Mowery was killed on July 18, 2011.

(6) In recognition of his service, Staff Sergeant Mowery was awarded two Army Commendation Medals, an Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, a NATO Medal, the Kosovo Campaign Medal and the Governor's Unit Citation. He posthumously received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star, and he was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant.

(b) Designation.—The bridge on State Route 225 that crosses the Armstrong Creek in Halifax Township, Dauphin County, is hereby designated as the Staff Sergeant Brian K. Mowery Memorial Bridge.

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

#### Section 7. Samuel L. Snyder Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Samuel L. Snyder was born on February 12, 1882, in East Cocalico Township, Lancaster County. Mr. Snyder was a building contractor, developer and realtor in Denver for nearly six decades. It is estimated that he built approximately 200 homes in the Denver area alone.

(2) Mr. Snyder served as the fire chief for the Denver Fire Company for 33 years and held the title of honorary chief at the time of his death in 1965.

(3) Mr. Snyder donated the land on which the new fire house was built and served as a trustee of the Lancaster County Firemen's Association. He was also a member of the Firemen's Association of Pennsylvania, the Keystone State Fire Chiefs Association and the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

(4) He was a leader in Masonic organizations, a charter member of the Denver Lions Club since 1926, as well as a past president and a vice president of the Lancaster Automobile Club. He served on the council of the St. John's Lutheran Church in Denver Borough and contributed funding to assist the St. John's Evangelical and Reformed Church and the Trinity Evangelical United Brethren Church in Denver.

(5) Following World War II, there was a movement in Denver Borough for a community park. Mr. Snyder donated 15 acres of land for what is now the Denver Memorial Park and Playground, as well as leading efforts to develop the park.

(6) Mr. Snyder died on February 19, 1965, at the age of 83.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on that portion of State Route 1026, Section 004 over the Cocalico Creek, Denver Borough, and West Cocalico Township, Lancaster County, is hereby designated as the Samuel L. Snyder Memorial Bridge.

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

#### Section 8. Lance Corporal Michael G. Plank Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—

(1) Lance Corporal Michael G. Plank was a 2004 graduate of Elkland High School, Tioga County.

(2) Lance Corporal Plank served in the Marine Corps assigned to the 7th Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group, Camp Pendleton, California.

(3) On June 9, 2010, Lance Corporal Plank died while supporting combat operations in Helmand Province, Afghanistan.

(4) Lance Corporal Plank received the National Defense Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Non-Article 5 ISAF Medal and the Rifle Expert, 2nd Award.

(b) Designation.—The overpass on State Route 49 over State Route 15, Lawrence Township, Tioga County, is hereby designated the Lance Corporal Michael G. Plank Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 9. PVT William H. Walls, U.S.M.C. Memorial Highway.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) PVT William H. Walls, a native of Horsham Township, Montgomery County, valiantly served in the Marine Corps during the Vietnam Conflict.

(2) On January 24, 1966, PVT Walls, at 19 years of age, gave his life in service to his country when he was mortally wounded by sniper fire in Quang Nam Province, Vietnam.

(b) Designation.—The section of Blair Mill Road from Moreland Road to Horsham Road in Upper Moreland Township and Horsham Township, Montgomery County, is hereby designated the PVT William H. Walls, U.S.M.C. Memorial Highway.

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

Section 10. Roy F. Johns, Jr., Overpass.

(a) Findings.—

(1) Roy F. Johns, Jr., United States Army veteran and chief executive officer of the Moon Township-based engineering consulting firm, Roy F. Johns, Jr., Associates, died in Moon Township, October 28, 2014, at 80 years of age.

(2) Mr. Johns graduated with honors from Carnegie Mellon University, having earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and a master's degree in business administration.

(3) Mr. Johns attained distinction as a master planner and developer of notable sites in southwestern Pennsylvania, including office and land acquisitions along the Parkway West in the 1970s.

(4) A leader of the region's commercial, industrial and residential development, Mr. Johns was affiliated with Airport Office Center Associates, Alleges Institute, Tech One Associates and other corporations in and around the Airport Corridor as well as retail sites in West Mifflin.

(5) Mr. Johns was instrumental in forming the Moon Transportation Authority and Thorn Run Interchange Group.

(6) Mr. Johns was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, National Society of Professional Engineers, International Council of Shopping Centers, Engineering Society of Western Pennsylvania, Society of American Military Engineers and United States Senatorial Business Advisory Board.

(7) With his wife, Barbara Johns, Mr. Johns further enriched Greater Pittsburgh through the Roy F. Johns, Jr., Family Foundation.

(b) Designation.—The overpass on State Route 3145 over Interstate 376, BMS 02-3145-0010-0537, in the Market District at Settlers Ridge, Robinson Township, Allegheny County, is hereby designated as the Roy F. Johns, Jr., Overpass.

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

Section 11. Fred A. Trello Memorial Boulevard.

(a) Declaration of policy.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Representative Fred Trello was born on November 14, 1929, in the Borough of Coraopolis in Allegheny County.

(2) Representative Trello graduated from Coraopolis High School in 1949 and earned degrees from the Air Force Electronics School and Robert Morris College.

(3) Representative Trello served in the Korean War as a member of the United States Air Force.

(4) Representative Trello began his political career as a Democratic committeeman and councilman for the Borough of Coraopolis.

(5) In 1974, Representative Trello was elected to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives where he served the 45th legislative district until 2002.

(6) Representative Trello was a long-time member of the Knights of Columbus, the Coraopolis Lions Club, the ISDA Club and Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

(7) On March 28, 2006, Representative Fred Trello passed away at the age of 76.

(b) Designation.—The section of State Route 51 North, known as Fourth Avenue, that runs from Ferree Street (Segment 0690, offset 0730) to Thorn Run Road (Segment 0720, offset 0720) and the section of State Route 51 South, known as Fifth Avenue, that runs from Thorn Run (Segment 0721, offset 0790) to Ferree Street (Segment 0691, offset 0545), in the Borough of Coraopolis, Allegheny County, is hereby designated as the Fred A. Trello Memorial Boulevard.

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

Section 12. Edwin "Lance" Wentzel Memorial Interchange.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Edwin "Lance" Wentzel was a native of Youngwood and a 35-year veteran of the Youngwood Volunteer Hose Company No. 1.



(2) On March 22, 2014, Mr. Wentzel was part of a group from the fire department using its K-9 Search and Rescue team to aid in a search for a missing woman in North Versailles. As he was searching along railroad tracks, Mr. Wentzel accidentally stepped in front of an oncoming train and was hit from behind by its engine. He died at the scene.

(3) Mr. Wentzel was a well-respected and committed volunteer firefighter. He held numerous line officer and board positions within the department during his lengthy service and was named the 2012 Youngwood Firefighter of the Year. Mr. Wentzel took part in the rescue effort at Ground Zero after 9/11.

(b) Designation.—The interchange of Interstate 70 and Pennsylvania Route 119 in New Stanton Borough, Westmoreland County, is hereby designated the Edwin "Lance" Wentzel Memorial Interchange.

(c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the name of the interchange. Section 13. 65th U.S. Infantry Regiment, Borinqueneers Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds as follows:

(1) "The Borinqueneers" was the only all-Hispanic unit in the history of the United States Army.

(2) "The Borinqueneers" is a nickname for the 65th Infantry Regiment of the 3rd Division in the United States Army, an all-volunteer Puerto Rican unit. The name was derived from the name borinquen meaning "land of the brave lord."

(3) The unit was founded in 1899 and remained a vital part of the United States Armed Forces until 1956.

(4) "The Borinqueneers" displayed valiant and meritorious service in World War I, World War II and the Korean War.

(5) More than 62,000 Puerto Ricans joined the military during World War II and more than 43,000 Puerto Ricans served in the Korean War.

(6) While in Korea, "the Borinqueneers" served in nine separate military campaigns, where hundreds of men gave their lives in service to their country.

(7) In 1959, the regiment was allotted to the Puerto Rico Army National Guard, where the 1st Battalion, 65th Infantry still serves.

(8) Since the inception of the unit, more than 20,000 Puerto Ricans have served as "Borinqueneers," but their contributions and sacrifices have gone largely unnoticed by the country at large.

(9) While defending the United States, these brave soldiers have earned 628 Bronze Stars, 258 Silver Stars, 10 Distinguished Service Crosses and more than 2,700 Purple Hearts.

(b) Designation.—The bridge carrying State Route 2005 (Business Route 222) over the Schuylkill River, Riverfront Drive and Norfolk Southern Railroad in the City of Reading, Berks County, commonly referred to as the Bingaman Street Bridge, is hereby designated the 65th U.S. Infantry Regiment, Borinqueneers Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 14. Martin Joseph Davis Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings and declarations.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Born August 25, 1947, Martin Joseph Davis was a resident of Patton and graduated from Cambria Heights High School in 1966.

(2) Mr. Davis entered the Army November 14, 1967, and served as a Specialist 4th Class with B Company, 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry, 196th Infantry Brigade, during the Vietnam War.

(3) On August 2, 1968, in the Quang Tin Province of Vietnam, Specialist Davis was killed in action by an explosive device. He was 21 years of age.

(4) Specialist Davis served this Commonwealth and our nation with honor and respect and gave the supreme sacrifice while carrying out his duties.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on State Route 36 in Patton Borough, Cambria County, over the Chest Creek, is hereby designated the Martin Joseph Davis Memorial Bridge.

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

#### Section 15. James W. Cutchall Memorial Highway.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Fayetteville Fire Chief James W. Cutchall was tragically shot and killed on July 2, 1977, when he arrived at the scene of a blaze set by his killer who then ambushed the responding firefighters.

(2) Chief Cutchall, only 33 years of age at the time of his death, was widely regarded as one of the most outstanding fire chiefs in the nation.

(3) Chief Cutchall was known for using one saying in his speeches, "To be a volunteer firefighter and make an error is human. To be a volunteer firefighter and worry about those errors is compassion. To be a volunteer firefighter and do something about those errors is professionalism."

(b) Designation.—The section of State Route 1008 in Fayetteville, Franklin County, is hereby designated the James W. Cutchall Memorial Highway.

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

#### Section 16. Corporal Jonathan Dean Faircloth Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) United States Marine Corps Corporal Jonathan Dean Faircloth, 22 years of age, died on March 29, 2011, while taking part in training maneuvers at Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii; and

(2) Corporal Faircloth was born in York on May 7, 1988, and graduated from Mechanicsburg Area High School in 2006; and

(3) Corporal Faircloth joined the Marine Corps in 2006 and was deployed to Iraq in 2008 and to Afghanistan in 2010; and

(4) Corporal Faircloth served as an aerial observer and aircraft mechanic throughout his five-year military career; and

(5) For his exemplary service, Corporal Faircloth was awarded four Air Medals, two Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medals, the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on U.S. Route 15 in Mechanicsburg Borough, Cumberland County, over State Route 114 is hereby designated the Corporal Jonathan Dean Faircloth Memorial Bridge.

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

#### Section 17. PFC Thomas A. Cooney Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Private First Class Thomas A. Cooney of the United States Army Corps of Engineers was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in France on October 20, 1944.

(2) PFC Cooney was born on April 28, 1917, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooney of Cambria County.

(3) PFC Cooney and his three brothers were raised on a farm outside the Borough of Lilly, Cambria County.

(4) While serving in the European Theater of Operations on October 20, 1944, PFC Cooney encountered heavy sniper and machine gun fire as he and his fellow engineers bravely cleared mines along a strategically important road in France.

(5) PFC Cooney, who had volunteered for the mine removal mission, continued his sweep in the face of enemy observation and direct hostile fire.

(6) Having sought cover as ordered, PFC Cooney was later killed in action along with three other engineers when a delayed-action mine detonated.

(b) Change of name.—The bridge on that portion of Township Route 431/436, Cooney Road, over U.S. Route 22 in Munster Township, Cambria County, is hereby renamed the PFC Thomas A. Cooney Memorial Bridge.

(c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs which shall display the name of the bridge designated in subsection (b).

#### Section 18. Trooper Herbert A. Wirfel Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Trooper Herbert A. Wirfel, son of John and Genevieve Wirfel, was born in the village of New Germany, Cambria County, on October 16, 1936, the second of nine children.

(2) Trooper Wirfel served with the United States Air Force before enlisting in the Pennsylvania State Police, Portage Township, Cambria County, on September 7, 1961.

(3) Assigned to Troop D, Butler Barracks, Trooper Wirfel faithfully enforced the laws of this Commonwealth and protected our citizens while serving with the Pennsylvania State Police for more than two decades.

(4) Trooper Wirfel lost his life while on patrol on U.S. Route 22 in Cambria County on February 7, 1982, at 45 years of age, leaving behind his wife, Elizabeth, and seven children.

(5) Trooper Wirfel died at the scene when his unmarked patrol car struck an icy snow drift during pursuit of a speeding vehicle.

(6) Trooper Wirfel was buried with full military honors at Holy Name Cemetery, Ebensburg, Cambria County.

(b) Change of name.—The bridge on Tower Road spanning U.S. Route 219 in Croyle Township, Cambria County, is hereby renamed the Trooper Herbert A. Wirfel Memorial Bridge.

(c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs which shall display the name of the bridge designated in subsection (b).

#### Section 19. The Honorable Lawrence H. Curry Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) State Representative Lawrence Curry represented the 154th Legislative District from his election in 1992 until 2012.

(2) Before his election to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, Representative Curry served as a Jenkintown Borough councilman and served two terms as a Montgomery County commissioner.

(3) Representative Curry has also served as an adjunct professor at Arcadia University, Montgomery County Community College, West Chester University and Rutgers-Camden University. Representative Curry earned a bachelor of arts degree and a master of arts degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

(4) By way of holding leadership roles with numerous civic and community organizations and his pointed legislative efforts, Representative Curry strongly supported issues affecting working families, senior citizens and children, especially tax reform, equal opportunity, environmental protection, health and education.

(5) In 1965, during the most turbulent time of the civil rights movement, Representative Curry responded to Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.'s appeal to join him in the stand for equality and justice in Selma, Alabama. This was a time when the call for civil rights was often met with violence, but Representative Curry went to Selma to march for what he believed was right.

(6) Since his retirement from the General Assembly, Representative Curry has continued his advocacy for the many causes he so fervently fought for, including Holocaust education and civil rights.

(7) Representative Curry currently resides in his hometown of Jenkintown with his wife, Shirley. The couple has three children, Jennifer Coleman, Jeffery Curry and Jacquelyn Todaro; and eight grandchildren, Christina, Katherine and Benjamin Coleman, Emily, Dylan and Tyler Curry and Courtney and Jeremy Todaro.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on Greenwood Avenue over the SEPTA tracks in Cheltenham Township and Jenkintown Borough, Montgomery County, is hereby designated the Honorable Lawrence H. Curry Bridge.

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

#### Section 20. Veterans Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) Milesburg Borough wishes to honor the citizens of Centre County who have served or are currently serving our nation in the armed forces.

(2) Centre County residents served in every major United States military conflict beginning with the Revolutionary War.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on State Route 144 in Milesburg Borough, Centre County, over the Bald Eagle Creek is hereby designated the Veterans Bridge.

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

Section 21. David B. Sheridan Memorial Interchange.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) David B. Sheridan managed numerous large construction projects in his 25 years with the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. Those projects included PA Turnpike 66-the Amos K. Hutchinson Bypass, PA Turnpike 376-Beaver Valley Expressway, PA Turnpike 43-the Mon/Fayette Expressway and PA Turnpike 576-the Southern Beltway.

(2) Mr. Sheridan worked in the Turnpike Commission's Construction Engineering Department as a construction engineering manager.

(b) Designation.—The section of the Pennsylvania Turnpike, Route 66, known as the Amos K. Hutchinson Bypass, at the Arona Road Interchange in Westmoreland County, is hereby designated as the David B. Sheridan Memorial Interchange.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the interchange to traffic in both directions on the highway.

Section 22. Derry Veterans Memorial Bridge.

(a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) The Borough of Derry, Westmoreland County, has been home to scores of men and women who have served, or are currently serving, in the armed forces of the United States.

(2) The elected members of the Derry Borough Council, with support of Chestnut Ridge Post No. 444 Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Derry Area Revitalization Corporation, wish to honor these individuals for their service to our country and fellow man.

(b) Designation.—The bridge located on State Route 217 in Derry Borough, Westmoreland County, over the Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks and 2nd Street is hereby designated the Derry Veterans Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 23. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 17th day of June, A.D. 2016

TOM WOLF