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AN ACT

SB 1114

Designating the scenic view adjacent to State Route 40 in Wharton Township, Fayette County, as the "Blue Star Point Lookout"; designating the portion of US Route 20, known as West 26th Street, in Millcreek Township, Eric County, from Peninsula Drive to Powell Avenue as the John W. Groters Memorial Highway; designating a portion of Cottman Avenue (Route 73), Burholme section, City of Philadelphia, as the Police Sergeant Stephen Liczbinski Memorial Highway; and designating the bridge on State Route 259 dividing Bolivar Borough and Fairfield Township, Westmoreland County, as the Glenn McMaster Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 1. Blue Star Point Lookout.

- (a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:
- (1) The Blue Star Memorial Marker Program began in 1945 to honor the men and women serving in the Armed Forces during World War II. The name was chosen for the star on flags displayed in homes and businesses denoting a family member serving.
- (2) The Blue Star Memorial Marker Program now honors all men and women who have served, are serving or will serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- (3) In June of 2007, the Great Meadows Garden Club of Farmington, in cooperation with the Department of Transportation, erected a Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker at the scenic view on State Route 9202.
- (4) The scenic view designation honors the commitment, service and sacrifice of those who have served, are serving or will serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- (b) Designation.—The scenic view adjacent to State Route 40 in Wharton Township, Fayette County, is designated and shall be known as the "Blue Star Point Lookout."
- (c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain signs which shall display the name of the scenic view designated in subsection (a) at the entrance to the scenic view on State Route 9202. Section 2. John W. Groters Memorial Highway.
 - (a) Findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:
 - (1) John W. Groters was a prominent member of the Erie community as a volunteer, a businessman and a public servant.
 - (2) He was a volunteer at the West Ridge Fire Department and was the first person to teach first aid to all the volunteer fire departments in Millcreek.

- (3) He was a partner in the Reffner and Groters Esso Station, located at the corner of West 26th Street and Powell Avenue in the late 1940s and early 1950s.
- (4) He went to work for the Millcreek School District in maintenance and as a school bus driver, eventually rising to become head of transportation, where he scheduled the bus routes for all the Millcreek schools and still filled in as a driver when necessary.
- (5) In recognition of his contributions to the Millcreek School District, the district honors his memory with an annual John W. Groters Driver of the Year Award.
- (b) Designation.—The portion of US Route 20, known as West 26th Street, in Millcreek Township, Erie County, from Peninsula Drive to Powell Avenue, is designated the John W. Groters Memorial Highway.
- (c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain signs at both ends of the roadway designated in subsection (b).

Section 3. Police Sergeant Stephen Liczbinski Memorial Highway.

- (a) Findings.—Police Sergeant Stephen Liczbinski was tragically killed in the line of duty on May 3, 2008, while pursuing bank robbers. Sergeant Liczbinski was 39 years old at the time of his death. He was a devoted and loving husband to his wife and a proud and loving father to his three children. He was a resident of the Burholme section of Philadelphia.
- (b) Designation.—The portion of Cottman Avenue (Route 73) from Algon Avenue west to Central Avenue, Burholme section, City of Philadelphia, is hereby designated as the Police Sergeant Stephen Liczbinski Memorial Highway.
- (c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs to indicate the designation under subsection (b).

Section 4. Glenn McMaster Memorial Bridge.

- (a) Designation.—The bridge on State Route 259 dividing Bolivar Borough and Fairfield Township, Westmoreland County, is hereby designated as the Glenn McMaster Memorial Bridge.
- (b) Markers to be erected.—The Department of Transportation shall erect suitable markers at each end of the bridge displaying the designation made under subsection (a).

Section 5. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 26th day of November, A.D. 2008.