

No. 2013-28

AN ACT

HB 571

Designating the bridge carrying State Route 45, crossing the Little Juniata River in Spruce Creek Township, Huntingdon County, as the SFC Sidney N. Hamer Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 1. SFC Sidney N. Hamer Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Sergeant First Class Sidney N. Hamer was a native of Spruce Creek, Pennsylvania, and enlisted in the United States Army.

(2) SFC Hamer served in the United States Army for 20 years.

(3) SFC Hamer was in G Company, 35th Infantry, a part of Swift's 25th Infantry Division of the United States Army.

(4) SFC Hamer was deployed to Changgo-ri, Korea, where during a battle with two strong enemy forces, he single-handedly eliminated six of his adversaries and captured two. His actions so inspired his comrades that they charged up a slope and routed the demoralized enemy from their position.

(5) SFC Hamer's unit was also deployed to Vietnam for service in connection with ground operations against a hostile force from August 1968 to August 1969.

(6) SFC Hamer was awarded 17 ribbons and medals, including two Bronze Star medals.

(7) SFC Hamer, beloved father of Rick Hamer, Randy Hamer, Rusty Hamer, Roger Hamer and Rodney Hamer, courageously served his country and the campaign for freedom, and his excellence as a soldier has been extolled by many.

(b) Designation.—The bridge carrying State Route 45, crossing the Little Juniata River in Spruce Creek Township, Huntingdon County, is hereby designated as the SFC Sidney N. Hamer Memorial Bridge.

(c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs to indicate the designation in subsection (b).

Section 2. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 27th day of June, A.D. 2013

TOM CORBETT