

No. 2012-49

AN ACT

HB 1955

Designating Grant Street from Main Street in Waynesboro Borough, Franklin County, to the borough line at Route 316 as the Staff Sergeant Richard J. Tieman Memorial Highway.

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

Section 1. Staff Sergeant Richard J. Tieman Memorial Highway.

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

(1) Staff Sgt. Richard James Tieman, 28, of Waynesboro was killed in Kabul, Afghanistan, on May 18,¹ 2010, during the deadliest attack on NATO forces that year.²

(2) Staff Sgt. Tieman served with U.S. Army Europe and was stationed in Heidelberg, Germany. Four other soldiers from his unit were killed. He was the detachment NCO for Lt. Gen. David Rodriguez, who directs the day-to-day operations of coalition forces across Afghanistan.

(3) Staff Sgt. Tieman was in charge of the convoy and only had two months left before he returned home for at least three years. He was sent to Afghanistan in August 2009.

(4) Staff Sgt. Tieman was born on an Army base in November 1981. His father was a master sergeant with the United States Army and served in the military for 25 years.

(5) Staff Sgt. Tieman, who attended Waynesboro schools, joined the Army in 2000 and was first stationed at Fort Hood, Texas, according to his family. He then was stationed in Bamberg, Germany, and at Fort Riley, Kansas. He was first sent overseas for the 2003 invasion of Iraq and was there until 2004. He then served from 2006 to 2007 and returned for the third time in August 2009.

(6) Staff Sgt. Tieman and Staff Sgt. Paulina Tieman were married in April 2010³ and had planned a large wedding for that December⁴ when they both returned home. Paulina is currently stationed at Fort Riley.

(b) Designation.—Grant Street from Main Street in Waynesboro Borough, Franklin County, to the borough line at Route 316, is hereby designated as the Staff Sgt. Richard J. Tieman Memorial Highway.

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

¹"May 17," in enrolled bill.

²"forces this year." in enrolled bill.

³"April, 2011," in enrolled bill.

⁴"this December" in enrolled bill.

Section 2. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of May, A.D. 2012

TOM CORBETT