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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 1957 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY KEPHART, KINSEY, STAATS, JOZWIAK, T. DAVIS, JAMES,  
SMITH, KAUFFMAN, ROWE, BANTA, GREEN AND GILLEN,  
JANUARY 10, 2024

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 10, 2024

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AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 47666, carrying  
2 U.S. Route 219 over the West Branch Susquehanna River in  
3 Susquehanna Township, Cambria County, as the Staff Sergeant  
4 Peter P. Abromovich Memorial Bridge.

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

7 Section 1. Staff Sergeant Peter P. Abromovich Memorial Bridge.

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

10 (1) Peter P. Abromovich was born November 19, 1917, in  
11 Arcadia, Indiana County.

12 (2) He enlisted during World War II, served in the  
13 United States Army Air Force until 1945 and rose to the rank  
14 of Staff Sergeant.

15 (3) During his time in the military, Staff Sgt.  
16 Abromovich flew more than 50 bombing missions over Europe and  
17 the Pacific serving as the tail gunner and nose gunner on a  
18 B24 Liberator.

1           (4) Staff Sgt. Abromovich's missions included flying  
2 over Papua, New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, Central Europe  
3 and Southern France.

4           (5) For his valiant service, Staff Sgt. Abromovich was  
5 awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Distinguished  
6 Unit Badge, the American Campaign Medal, the Asiatic Pacific  
7 Campaign Medal and the Air Medal with four bronze oak leaf  
8 clusters.

9           (6) After his commendable service, Staff Sgt. Abromovich  
10 lived in Barnesboro, Cambria County, where he married and had  
11 seven children and five grandchildren.

12           (7) Staff Sgt. Abromovich passed away July 25, 1997, at  
13 79 years of age, surrounded by family and friends.

14       (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key  
15 47666, carrying U.S. Route 219 over the West Branch Susquehanna  
16 River in Susquehanna Township, Cambria County, is designated the  
17 Staff Sergeant Peter P. Abromovich Memorial Bridge.

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

21 Section 2. Effective date.

22 This act shall take effect in 60 days.