THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2367 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY BRENNAN, WEBSTER, MALAGARI, LABS, MUNROE, MCNEILL, VITALI, HILL-EVANS, GIRAL, STAATS, KHAN, HADDOCK, KINSEY, A. BROWN AND ROZZI, JUNE 3, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 3, 2024

AN ACT

- Designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 6917, carrying State Route 4202 over Pennsylvania Route 611 in Doylestown Township, Bucks County, as the Donald E. Parlee Memorial
- 4 Bridge.
- 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 6 hereby enacts as follows:
- 7 Section 1. Donald E. Parlee Memorial Bridge.
- 8 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
- 9 follows:
- 10 (1) Donald E. Parlee, M.D., was born in Philadelphia and
- 11 attended Germantown High School.
- 12 (2) Dr. Parlee earned a B.S. degree from Ursinus College
- in 1955 and graduated from Temple University School of
- 14 Medicine in 1959.
- 15 (3) Dr. Parlee enjoyed a 43-year career as a board-
- 16 certified radiologist at Doylestown Hospital and grew the
- 17 radiology department from one physician to 20 radiologists.
- 18 (4) He served as chief of the radiology department for

- 25 years and established the hospital's School of Radiologic
 2 Technology.
- 3 (5) Dr. Parlee earned a Bronze Star for serving our 4 country for the United States Army in Vietnam from 1966 to 5 1968, including during the Tet Offensive. At one point, he 6 was the most senior radiologist in Vietnam and trained other 7 radiologists throughout the country.
 - (6) Dr. Parlee was involved in many philanthropic endeavors, including those benefiting Doylestown Hospital, Ursinus College, the Bucks County Audubon Society, the Bowman's Hill Wildlife Preserve and the Peace Valley Nature Center.
 - (7) Dr. Parlee proudly gave back to his profession, serving as President of the Bucks County Medical Society, as Vice Chair of the Foundation of the Pennsylvania Medical Society and as delegate to the American Medical Association for 10 years.
 - (8) Dr. Parlee also contributed to his alma mater,
 Ursinus College, serving in various roles with the Ursinus
 Board of Trustees beginning in 1983 and as President of the
 Ursinus Alumni Association.
 - (9) Along with his wife, fellow Ursinus College graduate, Joan Parlee, Dr. Parlee supported many initiatives at Ursinus College, including scholarships, capital building projects, summer student research, the Ursinus Fund and, most notably, the endowment of the Parlee Center for Science and the Common Good.
- 28 (10) In 2023, the Parlees were awarded with one of
 29 Ursinus College's highest honors, the Bear2Bear Impact Award
 30 for Leadership and Service, in recognition of the

- 1 extraordinary impact their work and philanthropic efforts
- 2 have had on their community.
- 3 (11) Donald E. Parlee, M.D., passed away on March 21,
- 4 2024, at 89 years of age, leaving behind a legacy of
- 5 unwavering commitment to the betterment of his community
- 6 through selfless service and philanthropy.
- 7 (b) Designation. -- The bridge, identified as Bridge Key 6917
- 8 carrying State Route 4202 over Pennsylvania Route 611 in
- 9 Doylestown Township, Bucks County, is designated as the Donald
- 10 E. Parlee Memorial Bridge.
- 11 (c) Signs. -- The Department of Transportation shall erect and
- 12 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
- 13 traffic in both directions on the bridge.
- 14 Section 2. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect in 60 days.