THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1270 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY HANNA, W. KELLER, WARD, RYAN, HAHN, SAINATO, HILL-EVANS, FREEMAN, LONGIETTI, COX, MURT, CALTAGIRONE, DIGIROLAMO, DUSH, SONNEY, KINSEY, PASHINSKI, MALONEY, MILLARD, O'NEILL, SANKEY, GROVE AND MILNE, APRIL 24, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 24, 2017

AN ACT

Designating a bridge at the junction of State Route 150 and 1 State Route 64 over Fishing Creek in Mill Hall Borough, 2 Clinton County, as the U.S. Navy SOC David M. Collins 3 Veterans Memorial Bridge. 4 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 6 7 Section 1. U.S. Navy SOC David M. Collins Veterans Memorial 8 Bridge. 9 Findings. -- The General Assembly finds and declares as 10 follows: Bald Eagle Township and Mill Hall Borough wish to 11 12 honor a fallen soldier of Clinton County who served our nation in the armed forces. 13 14 David M. Collins was born on March 3, 1969, and was 15 raised in Lock Haven. 16 After graduating from Lock Haven High School in

1988, he enlisted in the United States Navy.

(4) Over the course of his career, Chief Petty Officer

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- 1 David M. Collins completed deployments to South America, Iraq
- 2 and Afghanistan, having served in the first Gulf War, the
- 3 Iraq War and Operation Enduring Freedom.
- 4 (5) Chief Petty Officer David M. Collins' personal
- 5 awards and decorations include a Bronze Star Medal, Joint
- 6 Service Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps
- 7 Commendation Medal with Valor, Army Commendation Medal, Navy
- 8 and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Combat Action Ribbon,
- 9 eight Navy Good Conduct Medals and numerous service and
- 10 campaign awards.
- 11 (6) After 25 years of service, Chief Petty Officer David
- M. Collins retired in September 2012 from the United States
- 13 Navy.
- 14 (7) Upon retirement, Chief Petty Officer David M.
- 15 Collins worked for Blackbird Technologies.
- 16 (8) On March 12, 2014, at age 45, Chief Petty Officer
- 17 David M. Collins passed away in Virginia Beach, Virginia.
- 18 (9) Chief Petty Officer David M. Collins is survived by
- 19 his wife, Jennifer M. Collins, children, Grace and Samuel
- 20 Collins, mother, Rose Ann McNerney, sister, Lari Ann Collins,
- 21 and brother, Thomas Collins.
- 22 (b) Designation. -- The bridge located at the junction of
- 23 State Route 150 and State Route 64 over Fishing Creek in Mill
- 24 Hall Borough, Clinton County, is designated the U.S. Navy SOC
- 25 David M. Collins Veterans Memorial Bridge.
- 26 (c) Signs. -- The Department of Transportation shall erect and
- 27 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
- 28 traffic in both directions on the bridge.
- 29 Section 2. Effective date.
- 30 This act shall take effect in 60 days.