

## AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 45509, carrying  
2 U.S. Route 40 over Pennsylvania Route 43 in Redstone  
3 Township, Fayette County, as the PFC John Balog Memorial  
4 Bridge.

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

7 Section 1. PFC John Balog Memorial Bridge.

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

10 (1) PFC John Balog was born October 24, 1931, in  
11 Brownsville, Fayette County.

12 (2) PFC Balog served in the Korean War with H Company,  
13 Second Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry  
14 Division in the United States Army.

15 (3) On September 6, 1950, PFC Balog was defending his  
16 position against enemy fire near Am-Sim, South Korea. When it  
17 became necessary for his rifle team to withdraw, he  
18 volunteered to remain and cover the withdrawal. After his

1 team withdrew, his position was overrun and he died in  
2 action. He bravely gave his life for his brothers in arms and  
3 for his country.

4 (4) For his service to the United States, PFC Balog was  
5 awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean  
6 Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the Republic  
7 of Korea War Service Medal, the Republic of Korea  
8 Presidential Unit Citation, two Silver Stars and the Purple  
9 Heart.

10 (5) PFC Balog is survived by numerous nieces, nephews  
11 and cousins in Ohio and southwestern Pennsylvania.

12 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key  
13 45509, carrying U.S. Route 40 over Pennsylvania Route 43 in  
14 Redstone Township, Fayette County, is designated the PFC John  
15 Balog Memorial Bridge.

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

19 Section 2. Effective date.

20 This act shall take effect in 60 days.