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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 2306 Session of  
2024

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INTRODUCED BY MARSHALL, MAY 20, 2024

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MAY 20, 2024

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AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge carrying the Pennsylvania Turnpike Mainline  
2 Westbound over the Beaver River at mile marker 13.2 as the  
3 Colonel Matthew S. Quay Memorial Bridge.

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

6 Section 1. Colonel Matthew S. Quay Memorial Bridge.

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

9 (1) Matthew Stanley Quay was born September 30, 1833, in  
10 Dillsburg, York County.

11 (2) He attended the Beaver and Indiana Academies and  
12 graduated in 1850 from Jefferson College, now Washington and  
13 Jefferson College.

14 (3) Colonel Quay became Colonel of the 134th  
15 Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry Regiment during the Civil War  
16 from 1861 to 1862.

17 (4) For his bravery, Colonel Quay was awarded the Medal  
18 of Honor at the Battle of Fredericksburg, Virginia, in  
19 December 1862.

1           (5) During his life, Colonel Quay was a dedicated public  
2 servant, serving as the Prothonotary of Beaver County in  
3 1865, the personal secretary to Governor Andrew Curtin in  
4 1861, a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives  
5 from 1865 to 1868, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the  
6 Philadelphia County Recorder and Pennsylvania State Treasurer  
7 in 1885 and was elected to the United States Senate from 1887  
8 through 1899 and 1901 through 1904, representing  
9 Pennsylvania.

10           (6) Colonel Quay died on May 28, 1904, in Beaver County.

11           (b) Designation.--The bridge carrying the Pennsylvania  
12 Turnpike Mainline Westbound over the Beaver River at mile marker  
13 13.2 is designated as the Colonel Matthew S. Quay Memorial  
14 Bridge.

15           (c) Signs.--The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect  
16 appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to traffic  
17 on the bridge.

18 Section 2. Effective date.

19           This act shall take effect January 1, 2027.