

DESIGNATION - 283RD FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION HIGHWAY

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AN ACT

Designating Traffic Route 283 (State Route 300), from the PA Turnpike Interchange in Lower Swatara Township, Dauphin County, to State Route 30 in Manheim Township, Lancaster County, as the 283rd Field Artillery Battalion Highway.

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

Section 1. The 283rd Field Artillery Battalion Highway.

(a) Findings.--

(1) The soldiers of the United States Army's 283rd Field Artillery Battalion served with valor and distinction in combat in the European Theater of Operations in World War II. The battalion was in combat for 268 continuous days and traveled a total distance of approximately 10,757 miles over land and sea during active service.

(2) The 283rd Field Artillery Battalion was activated at Camp Rucker, Alabama, on June 25, 1943. After a year of stateside training, the battalion sailed to the United Kingdom on June 22, 1944, where training continued at Camp Llanover, Wales, before cross-channel deployment.

(3) The 283rd Field Artillery Battalion was part of the historic landing at Utah Beach on August 11, 1944. The battalion fought through France to Berchtesgaden, Germany, during the Campaign for Northern France from August 11 to September 14, 1944.

(4) The 283rd continued combat in the Campaign for the Rhineland from September 15, 1944, to March 22, 1945, and in the Campaign for Central Europe from March 23, 1945 to May 8, 1945 (VE Day).

(5) During the final campaign, the 283rd Field Artillery Battalion took part in the Battle of Bamberg, the Battle of Nurnberg and the Battle of Munich.

(6) Not organic to any specific division, the 283rd Field Artillery Battalion served under various headquarters of armies, corps, groups and divisions.

(b) Designation.--Traffic Route 283 (State Route 300), from the PA Turnpike Interchange in Lower Swatara Township, Dauphin County, to State Route 30 in Manheim Township, Lancaster County, is designated as the 283rd Field Artillery Battalion Highway.

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

Section 2. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.