

## CHAPTER 125

**AN ACT** designating a portion of U.S. Highway Route No. 40 in Buena Borough, Atlantic County as the “Peter ‘Pete’ Dandrea Section of the Harding Highway.”

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his life, Peter ‘Pete’ Dandrea has made numerous contributions to the community of Buena Borough and the surrounding neighborhoods in Atlantic County, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Dandrea was born one of eleven children to Frank and Angelina Dandrea and later graduated from Vineland High School; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Dandrea bravely served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Dandrea married Marie Lepore in 1953 and started a family together with Marie and their sons Frank, Steven, and Ronald, and now Mr. Dandrea is the proud grandfather to seven grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Dandrea has given generously of his time and effort to various sports programs in Atlantic County; namely, he has been instrumental in establishing the Buena Braves football program and has been a basketball coach at Our Lady of Victories and a coach and the president of Buena Borough Little League Baseball; and

**WHEREAS**, In addition to his contributions to community sports programs, Mr. Dandrea has made other contributions to political affairs and the Republican party through the years, serving as President of the Buena Borough G.O.P., the Republican Municipal Leader of Buena Borough, and the Chairman of Atlantic County Republicans for Nixon in 1966; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Dandrea has served as Chairman of the Atlantic County Republicans for Governor for both Jim Courter in 1989 and Christine Todd Whitman in 1993; and

**WHEREAS**, Peter Dandrea was honored for his many contributions by the Buena Borough Republican Club on June 3, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, It is altogether fitting and proper that the State of New Jersey recognize and honor the contributions Peter ‘Pete’ Dandrea has made to the community of Buena Borough, Atlantic County, and this State by designating a portion of U.S. Route No. 40 in Buena Borough, Atlantic County as the “Peter ‘Pete’ Dandrea Section of the Harding Highway;” now, therefore,

**BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. The Commissioner of Transportation shall designate that portion of U.S. Highway Route No. 40 in Buena Borough, Atlantic County between mile markers 33 and 34 as the "Peter ‘Pete’ Dandrea Section of the Harding Highway” and shall erect appropriate signs bearing this name.

2. No State or other public funds shall be used for producing, purchasing, or erecting signs bearing the designation established pursuant to section 1 of this act. The Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to receive gifts, grants, or other financial assistance from private sources for the purpose of funding or reimbursing the Department of Transportation for the costs associated with producing, purchasing, and erecting signs bearing the designation established pursuant to section 1 of this act and entering into agreements related thereto, with such private sources, including but not limited to non-governmental non-profit, educational, or charitable entities or institutions. No work shall proceed, and no funding shall be accepted by the Department of Transportation until an

agreement has been reached with a responsible party for paying the costs associated with producing, purchasing, erecting, and maintaining the signs.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved August 9, 2013.