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Two Stec, Simpson Bills Renaming Bridges after Local Heroes Pass the Legislature

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Bills sponsored by Senator Dan Stec (R,C-Queensbury) and Assemblyman Matt Simpson (R,C,-Horicon) to rename a pair of bridges in Essex County today passed the state Legislature. Bill S2904/A2943 renames the bridge on the portion of Charley Hill Road which crosses I-87 in the Town of Schroon as the Trooper Lawrence P. Gleason Memorial Bridge, while S2905/A4033 renames a bridge on state Route 22, crossing over I-87 in the Town of Chesterfield as the Lance Cpl. Scott Lee Schultz Memorial Bridge.

On Feb. 11, 2002, 28-year-old Trooper Gleason was killed by an armed man while responding to a domestic violence complaint in Crown Point. Marine Lance Cpl. Scott Lee Schultz was 19 years old on Oct. 23, 1983 when he was among the 241 U.S. service members killed by a terrorist's bomb, which ripped through the U.S. Marine Barracks in Beirut, Lebanon. Renaming two bridges in their home communities after them ensures their service and sacrifice will never be forgotten.

“Trooper Gleason and Marine Lance Cpl. Scott Lee Schultz exemplify heroism and service in the line of duty,” said Senator Stec. “Their sacrifices on behalf of our communities, state and nation should not be forgotten. Renaming these bridges is a small, but profound way, to acknowledge their lives and ensure their names live on forever. I’m proud to have sponsored

these two bills with Assemblyman Simpson and am pleased to see them pass both houses of the Legislature.”

“I am honored to recognize Trooper Lawrence Gleason and Marine Lance Cpl. Scott Lee Schultz, who lost their lives in the line of duty,” said Simpson. “It is important we take time to reflect on the sacrifices our veterans and first responders make for us. They embody the very essence of selfless courage and bravery. They answer the call of duty, leaving behind their families, comforts, and the familiarity of home to protect us. We are forever in their debt which is why I am proud to sponsor legislation that ensures their names will be forever in our community.”