

# ASSEMBLY, No. 285

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2010 SESSION

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman DAVID C. RUSSO**

**District 40 (Bergen, Essex and Passaic)**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Designates highway ramp off of State Highway Route No. 23 at Alps Road in Wayne Township as “Gregory F. Velardi, Sr., Ramp.”

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



1 AN ACT designating the highway ramp off of State Highway Route  
2 No. 23 at Alps Road in Wayne Township as the “Gregory F.  
3 Velardi, Sr., Ramp.”  
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5 WHEREAS, Gregory F. Velardi, Sr., joined the Property Owner League  
6 (P.O.L.) Fire Company No. 2 on February 5, 1956, and has  
7 faithfully served the Township of Wayne for over 50 years; and

8 WHEREAS, During those years, Mr. Velardi served Wayne as a  
9 volunteer firefighter and captain in P.O.L. Fire Company No. 2, and  
10 in various other capacities, including as a member of two building  
11 committees and the Fair Committee; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Velardi continues to be an active member and Trustee  
13 of P.O.L. Fire Company No. 2; and

14 WHEREAS, In addition to being a “Life Member” of his fire company,  
15 Mr. Velardi is also a “Life Member” of the New Jersey State  
16 Firemen’s Association and the New Jersey State Exempt Firemen’s  
17 Association; and

18 WHEREAS, It is altogether fitting and proper that the State of New  
19 Jersey honor the request of the membership of P.O.L. Fire  
20 Company No. 2 that the highway ramp off of State Highway Route  
21 No. 23 at Alps Road, which is located near the P.O.L. Fire  
22 Company No. 2 quarters, be named the “Gregory F. Velardi, Sr.,  
23 Ramp” in recognition of his years of dedicated service to the  
24 Township of Wayne; now, therefore,  
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26 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
27 of New Jersey:  
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29 1. The Commissioner of Transportation shall designate the  
30 highway ramp off of State Highway Route No. 23 at Alps Road in  
31 Wayne Township as the “Gregory F. Velardi, Sr., Ramp” and shall  
32 erect appropriate signs bearing this name.  
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34 2. No State or other public funds shall be used for producing,  
35 purchasing, or erecting signs pursuant to section 1 of this act. The  
36 Commissioner of Transportation is authorized to receive gifts,  
37 grants, or other financial aid in any form from any private source  
38 for the purpose of funding the costs associated with producing,  
39 purchasing, and erecting signs pursuant to section 1 of this act.  
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41 3. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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44 STATEMENT  
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46 This bill designates the highway ramp off of State Highway  
47 Route No. 23 at Alps Road in Wayne Township, which is located

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1 near the P.O.L. Fire Company No. 2 quarters, as the “Gregory F.  
2 Velardi, Sr., Ramp.”

3 Mr. Velardi joined P.O.L. Fire Company No. 2 in 1956 and has  
4 served his community for over 50 years as a volunteer firefighter,  
5 captain of the fire company, member of two building committees,  
6 and member of the Fair Committee. Mr. Velardi is also a Life  
7 Member and Trustee of P.O.L. Fire Company No. 2, as well as a  
8 Life Member of the New Jersey State Firemen’s Association and  
9 the New Jersey State Exempt Firemen’s Association. It is the  
10 request of Mr. Velardi’s fellow members of the fire company that  
11 the ramp be named in his honor.

12 The bill provides that State or other public funds are not to be  
13 used in producing, purchasing, or erecting the signs authorized by  
14 this bill and authorizes the Commissioner of Transportation to  
15 receive funds from private sources to defray these costs.