

Senate Resolution 850

By: Senator Thompson of the 33rd

### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the Dr. Luke Garrett Memorial Highway; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Luke Glenn Garrett, Jr., was born in Austell, Georgia, on New Year's Day,  
3 1917; and
- 4 WHEREAS, a graduate of Emory University School of Medicine, he followed in the  
5 footsteps of his father and grandfather in attending to the medical needs of the citizens of  
6 Austell and the surrounding area; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he and Gladys Elliott, a young nurse from Henry County, met while he was a  
8 student and they married in June, 1941; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he answered his country's call to defend freedom during World War II, serving  
10 with the United States infantry in Europe, and earning several decorations, including the  
11 Bronze Star for bravery while saving the life of another soldier; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he served with dedication as Chief of Staff at Cobb General and Atlanta West  
13 hospitals, and his diligence and commitment helped ensure that Atlanta West Hospital  
14 remained open to serve the needs of the greater south Cobb community; and
- 15 WHEREAS, recognizing his strong leadership skills and sense of fairness, the citizens of  
16 Austell elected him to serve as Mayor from 1948 to 1950 and from 1958 to 1965; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he and his wife reared a fine family of three children, Luke Glenn Garrett III,  
18 Patricia A. Wilder, and Glenna Lucille Garrett; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he was known in his community as a humanitarian who cared more about his  
20 patients than the fees for his services.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
2 GEORGIA that the members of this body designate that portion of State Route Business 6  
3 lying within the city limits of Austell, Georgia, as the Dr. Luke Garrett Memorial Highway.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
5 directed to erect and maintain appropriate markers designating the Dr. Luke Garrett  
6 Memorial Highway.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Luke Garrett.