

Senate Resolution 968

By: Senators Dean of the 31st and Starr of the 44th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Honorable Hugh Marion Gillis and requesting the naming of
2 a public fishing area in his honor; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Honorable Hugh Marion Gillis, our distinguished colleague and dear friend, has
4 attained a distinction achieved by no other member of the Georgia House or the Senate and
5 only one other state legislator in the nation by completing 54 years of service in the Georgia
6 General Assembly; and

7 WHEREAS, Hugh Gillis served 12 years as a member of the House of Representatives from
8 1941-1944, and again from 1949-1956, and he first served in the Senate from the 16th
9 District in 1957-1958 and returned as the Senator from the 20th in 1963, where he has served
10 with dedication and diligence for 39 consecutive years; and

11 WHEREAS, this statesman has also been instrumental in the passage of every piece of
12 legislation passed in Georgia for the last 39 years that related to hunting, fishing, and other
13 natural resource issues.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
15 recognize Honorable Hugh Marion Gillis as one of their most outstanding members and
16 express their heartfelt admiration and respect for his exemplary leadership in serving as
17 Chairman of the Senate Natural Resources Committee and for his steadfast dedication to
18 wisely conserving and managing Georgia's natural and environmental resources.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate does hereby call upon the Department of
20 Natural Resources to rename the Laurens County Public Fishing Area and lake in honor of
21 Senator Hugh Gillis so that the newly completed area shall henceforth be named the Hugh
22 M. Gillis Public Fishing Area and Lake.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Senator Gillis and to the Department of
- 3 Natural Resources.