

## House Resolution 1541

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Honorable Hugh Marion Gillis and urging the Department of  
2 Natural Resources to name a public fishing area in his honor; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Honorable Hugh Marion Gillis, a distinguished legislative colleague and dear  
4 friend, has attained a distinction achieved by no other member of the Georgia House or  
5 Senate and only one other state legislator in the nation by completing 54 years of service in  
6 the Georgia 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 District  
9 in 1957-1958 and returned as the Senator from the 20th in 1963, where he has served with  
10 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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
15 the members of this body recognize Honorable Hugh Marion Gillis as one of their most  
16 outstanding members, commend him for his exemplary leadership in serving as Chairman  
17 of the Senate Natural Resources Committee and for his steadfast dedication to wisely  
18 conserving and managing Georgia's natural and environmental resources, and urge the  
19 Department of Natural Resources to rename the Laurens County Public Fishing Area and  
20 Lake as the Hugh M. Gillis Public Fishing Area and Lake.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
22 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Senator Gillis and the  
23 Commissioner of Natural Resources.