

House Resolution 252

By: Representative Twiggs of the 8th

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the Dillard Bluegrass & Barbeque Festival in Dillard, in Rabun County, as the
2 annual "Kansas City Barbeque Society Georgia State Championship"; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Dillard Bluegrass & Barbeque Festival is sanctioned by the board of
4 directors of the Kansas City Barbeque Society; this prestigious recognition elevates the
5 Dillard cooking event to a select group of contests held throughout the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, each year barbeque cooking teams must earn points in order to compete at the
7 American Royal World Championship held in Kansas City, Missouri, meaning that the
8 Dillard Bluegrass & Barbeque Festival annually hosts a large number of teams and judges
9 from across the United States, and that Dillard, in Rabun County, is the showcase for this
10 event; and

11 WHEREAS, the Dillard Bluegrass & Barbeque Festival annually attracts thousands of
12 people, has gained national and international attention, and provides excellent publicity for
13 Dillard, Rabun County, and the State of Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, in addition to the barbeque cookoff contest, the family oriented festival held in
15 Dillard annually on the first Saturday in August offers world class bluegrass music, arts and
16 crafts, a variety of events and entertainment, and great family fun for all ages; and

17 WHEREAS, the Dillard Bluegrass & Barbeque Festival has been designated by Governor
18 Roy Barnes as the "Kansas City Barbeque Society Georgia State Championship" in 1999 and
19 in 2000, and such designation as a state championship event permits the Grand Champion
20 of the Dillard barbeque cookoff contest to receive automatically an invitation to the
21 American Royal World Championship at Kansas City, Missouri, and qualifies for the Jack
22 Daniel's National Invitational Barbecue Competition at Lynchburg, Tennessee, without
23 affecting the status of any other championship event currently held in Georgia.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
2 GEORGIA that the Dillard Bluegrass & Barbeque Festival in Dillard, in Rabun County, is
3 hereby designated as the annual "Kansas City Barbeque Society Georgia State
4 Championship."