

House Resolution 450

By: Representatives Jennings of the 63rd, Davis of the 60th, Millar of the 59th, Pinholster of the 15th, Willard of the 44th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the Jim Tysinger Interchange; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Honorable Jim Tysinger served for 30 years as a distinguished member of the
3 Georgia Senate; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this native son of Greensboro, North Carolina, earned a bachelor's degree in
5 electrical engineering and a master's degree in industrial management from Georgia Tech;
6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, he served his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United
8 States army during World War II, saw active duty at Guadalcanal, New Guinea, Leyte, and
9 Luzon, and was honorably retired with the rank of lieutenant colonel; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Tysinger is a registered engineer who is retired from Westinghouse Electric
11 Corporation; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he served on the Appropriations, Higher Education, and Insurance and Labor
13 committees, and chaired the Science, Technology and Industry Committee, the first
14 republican to chair a committee in the Senate; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he is former chairperson of the Geo. L. Smith II Georgia World Congress
16 Center Authority Overview Committee and served on the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit
17 Overview Committee and on the board of ethics of MARTA; and
- 18 WHEREAS, his expertise in science and technology matters led to his appointment to the
19 Georgia Council on Energy Resources; the Science, Energy and Environmental Resources
20 and the Energy committees of the National Conference of State Legislatures; the Energy
21 Committee of the Southern Legislative Conference; the Governor's Advisory Council on
22 Science and Technology; and the Georgia Tech Research Institute; and

1 WHEREAS, he is the founder and still moderator of the Jim Tysinger DeKalb Breakfast
2 Club, the longest continuing forum for political affairs in Metro Atlanta; and

3 WHEREAS, he and his lovely wife, Loretta, have five children and five grandchildren; and

4 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
5 talents, and energy to the civic, religious, and charitable concerns of his community, as
6 evidenced by his active involvement in the North DeKalb Kiwanis Club, the Atlanta Union
7 Mission, the Erskine College Board of Trustees, as well as the Doraville Presbyterian Church
8 where he has served as an elder and taught Sunday school for over 20 years; and

9 WHEREAS, his knowledge of science, legislative experience, and keen understanding of
10 governmental problems made him one of the most influential members of the General
11 Assembly; and

12 WHEREAS, he has given much time and energy in helping others, and his love for the
13 people of his community is second only to his love and dedication to his family. It is only
14 fitting and proper that Mr. Tysinger be recognized by having a landmark bridge and
15 intersection in DeKalb County named in his honor.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
17 GEORGIA that the intersection of Ashford Dunwoody Road and Interstate 285 and the
18 bridge over the interstate at such location are designated the Jim Tysinger Interchange.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
20 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such interchange.

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 Honorable Jim Tysinger and
23 the Department of Transportation.