

House Resolution 129

By: Representatives Mosley of the 129th, Post 1, Barnard of the 121st, Post 1, DeLoach of the 127th, Smith of the 129th, Post 2 and Oliver of the 121st, Post 2

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the Shelton Isaiah DeLoach Memorial Bridge; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Shelton Isaiah DeLoach was born on August 4, 1879, in Tattnall County and
- 3 was the second of nine children born to Henry H. DeLoach and Maryann Todd DeLoach; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was the devoted husband of Arrie Groover DeLoach and their union was
- 5 blessed with seven children; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in 1914, he sold property which he had inherited and moved his family to newly
- 7 acquired property on Beards Creek in an area of Liberty County from which Long County
- 8 was later created and began supporting his family by farming, growing timber, raising
- 9 livestock, and engaging in the turpentine business; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was known and respected for his assistance to his neighbors during hard
- 11 times and for his community leadership; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was instrumental in the 1920 creation of Long County; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the first bridge across Beards Creek was built on his property and with his
- 14 assistance; and
- 15 WHEREAS, in 1957, the Department of Transportation determined that a paved road from
- 16 Hinesville to Glennville was needed and purchased approximately 3/4 mile of right of way
- 17 from Mr. DeLoach for the purpose of building the present roadway and bridge; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost a distinguished citizen with the passing of Shelton
- 19 Isaiah DeLoach on March 5, 1957; and

1 WHEREAS, seven of his grandsons and three of his great-grandsons have been employees
2 of the Georgia Department of Transportation and continue this family's dedication to public
3 transportation and economic development in Georgia.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
5 GEORGIA that the bridge on SR 196 at the county line between Tattnall County and Long
6 County is designated the Shelton Isaiah DeLoach Memorial Bridge.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
8 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such bridge.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
10 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Shelton Isaiah
11 DeLoach and to the Department of Transportation.