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Senate Resolution 1025

By: Senator Cheeks of the 23rd

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Honorable Jack Connell and encouraging the Department of
- 2 Transportation to place signs which indicate that the Riverwatch Parkway in Augusta,
- 3 Georgia, is dedicated in honor of Honorable Jack Connell; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, Honorable Jack Connell, our distinguished former colleague and dear friend,
- 5 served the State of Georgia and its citizens with the utmost dedication and ability as a
- 6 member of the Georgia House of Representatives from 1969 to 2002; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Representative Connell served as Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of
- 8 Representatives for 26 consecutive years, making him the longest serving Speaker Pro
- 9 Tempore in the history of Georgia and the United States; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a native of Augusta, Georgia, and a veteran of World War II, he is admired and
- 11 respected as a consummate Southern gentleman, a pillar of the Augusta community, a
- 12 prominent businessman, and a devoted leader in the government, religious, and political
- 13 organizations in his community; and
- 14 WHEREAS, in addition to his many accomplishments benefitting the medical community,
- 15 Representative Connell was very effective in bringing growth and development to the City
- 16 of Augusta's infrastructure; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he is a devoted husband to his wife, the former Nanette Jean Anderson, and
- 18 takes great delight in four children and six grandchildren; and
- 19 WHEREAS, his efforts brought unparalleled progress to the citizens of his district and the
- 20 State of Georgia, and it is abundantly fitting that the members of this body, who regard him
- 21 with much admiration and respect, pay tribute to one of their finest colleagues for the many
- 22 years of distinguished service he rendered.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY that the

- 2 members of this body recognize and commend Honorable Jack Connell for his exemplary
- 3 public service and convey to him their wholehearted respect and best wishes forever.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Riverwatch Parkway in Augusta, Georgia, is hereby
- 5 dedicated in honor of Honorable Jack Connell.
- 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is encouraged to erect
- 7 and maintain appropriate signs so dedicating said parkway at the parkway's beginning and
- 8 ending points in honor of Honorable Jack Connell.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable Jack Connell.