

Senate Resolution 1025

By: Senator Cheeks of the 23rd

**ADOPTED SENATE**

**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.

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  
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable Jack Connell.