

Senate Resolution 304

By: Senators Johnson of the 1st, Williams of the 19th and Kemp of the 46th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the memory of Trooper Ronnie O'Neal and Georgia's troopers who have died in
2 the line of duty and dedicating the Fallen Troopers Memorial Highway and the Trooper
3 Ronnie O'Neal Overpass; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Trooper Ronnie O'Neal served with pride, honor, and distinction as an officer
5 of the Georgia State Patrol; and

6 WHEREAS, Trooper O'Neal was tragically killed in the line of duty on January 10, 1984,
7 while pursuing a fleeing vehicle on I-95; and

8 WHEREAS, he is remembered by his colleagues in the State Patrol as an outstanding officer
9 who always conducted himself according to the highest standards and led by example; and

10 WHEREAS, he was a loving family man, devoted to his wife Meryl and daughters Beverly
11 and Dawn; and

12 WHEREAS, there should be an appropriate lasting memorial to this heroic officer and all
13 those troopers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in their devotion to serving and
14 protecting the people of Georgia.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 GEORGIA that the portion of I-95 in Liberty County from Exit 67 to Exit 76 is hereby
17 dedicated as the Fallen Troopers Memorial Highway in honor of their distinguished legacy
18 of service to the State of Georgia.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the overpass on I-95 at mile point 70 is hereby dedicated
20 the Trooper Ronnie O'Neal Overpass in honor of his life and his exemplary career of service
21 to the citizens of this state.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
2 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs so dedicating the Fallen Troopers Memorial
3 Highway and the Trooper Ronnie O'Neal Overpass.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
5 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Trooper Ronnie O'Neal and
6 the Department of Transportation.