

House Resolution 408

By: Representatives Black of the 174th and Borders of the 175th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Renaming Negro Branch in Brooks County as Pride Branch; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, there exists in Brooks County a stream historically known as Negro Branch and
3 the stream is so identified on the Georgia Department of Transportation's Brooks County
4 Highway Map; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the name of this stream has on occasion in use been corrupted into a slang term
6 which is derogatory and offensive; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the governing authority of Brooks County has recommended a change in the
8 name of this stream and the students of Brooks County have suggested a new name of Pride
9 Branch; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the General Assembly determines that it may make this change effective for
11 state purposes by resolution having the effect of law; and action by the U.S. Board on
12 Geographic Names is needed to make this change effective for federal purposes.
- 13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 GEORGIA that the name of Negro Branch in Brooks County, as identified on the Georgia
15 Department of Transportation's Brooks County Highway Map, is hereby changed to Pride
16 Branch.
- 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any maps or records referring to such creek which are
18 maintained by the Department of Transportation and other state agencies shall upon their
19 next regular updating be changed to reflect the new name of the creek unless otherwise
20 provided by federal law or regulation.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governing authority of Brooks County is authorized
2 and requested to apply for a corresponding change in the Geographic Names Information
3 System maintained by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House is authorized and directed to
5 transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the governing authority of Brooks County.