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Senate Resolution 304

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

ADOPTED

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.

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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.