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House Resolution 1534

By: Representative Hembree of the 67<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Celebrating the life of Tom Kilgore and naming the Tom Kilgore Memorial Bridge in his
- 2 honor; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Thomas McGaughey Kilgore was a native and lifelong resident of Douglas
- 4 County, and was a descendant of Douglas County native citizens dating back prior to the
- 5 incorporation of the county; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he graduated from Douglas County High School in 1952 and from Berry
- 7 College in 1956; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he spent his entire professional career with CSX Transportation; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was elected as a member of the Georgia General Assembly's House of
- 10 Representatives to represent Douglas County, taking office in 1975 and serving through
- 11 1992; and
- WHEREAS, during his tenure in the General Assembly, he served on the Appropriations
- 13 Committee and the Industry Committee, and chaired the Education Committee; and
- 14 WHEREAS, as Chairman of the Education Committee, he was instrumental in establishing
- 15 the Douglas County campus of West Central Technical College on Timber Ridge Road,
- which has become an integral part of the community, and provides an opportunity for
- 17 thousands of Douglas County citizens to receive higher education; and
- 18 WHEREAS, after retirement, he continued to work with the Douglasville Convention and
- 19 Visitors Bureau to help bring tourists to Douglas County; and

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1 WHEREAS, he was married for 43 years to Carol M. McLendon, and they had two beautiful

- 2 daughters, Pamela K. Platt and Teresa A. Kilgore, and two wonderful grandchildren, Lindsay
- 3 and Will; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was a lifetime member of County Line Baptist Church and a charter member
- 5 of the West Pines Golf Course, and enjoyed carp fishing during his free time; and
- 6 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that this man who devoted his life to his family and service to
- 7 his community should have a bridge in his beloved Douglas County named in his memory.
- 8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 9 GEORGIA that the members of this body offer their sincere condolences to the family and
- 10 friends of Tom Kilgore and dedicate the Prestley Mill Road bridge over I-20, in Douglas
- 11 County, as the Tom Kilgore Memorial Bridge and the Department of Transportation is
- 12 authorized and directed to place and maintain appropriate markers dedicating the Tom
- 13 Kilgore Memorial Bridge.
- 14 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 the family of Tom Kilgore
- and to the Department of Transportation.