

Senate Resolution 848

By: Senators Wiles of the 37th, Rogers of the 21st, Hill of the 32nd, Stoner of the 6th and Thompson of the 33rd

**ADOPTED SENATE**

A RESOLUTION

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2 Honoring the life and service of Airman First Class Antoine J. Holt and dedicating the  
3 Antoine J. Holt Memorial Bridge; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Airman First Class Antoine J. Holt of Kennesaw, Georgia, was serving as a  
5 member of the 603rd Air Control Squadron at Balad Air Field, Iraq, on April 10, 2004, when  
6 he was killed as a result of enemy action; and

7 WHEREAS, this courageous soldier confronted the dangers, privations, and discomforts of  
8 striving to keep the peace in Iraq with fortitude and steadfast resolve, making us as a nation  
9 truly proud; and

10 WHEREAS, although only 20 years old, Airman Holt was entrusted with unusually complex  
11 tasks monitoring airspace activity and hooking up communication systems, tasks rarely  
12 vouchsafed to one so young; and

13 WHEREAS, Airman Holt selflessly gave his life in the service and defense of his country,  
14 and his heroism will never be forgotten; and

15 WHEREAS, his grieving family and friends can be proud of their loved one and, through  
16 their grief, know that he gave his all for his country; and

17 WHEREAS, all Americans owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women of our armed  
18 forces who risk their lives in the defense of freedom and to secure the blessings of liberty for  
19 this nation and other peoples of the world, and it is only fitting and proper that a bridge  
20 should be named to memorialize this heroic defender of our freedom.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
22 GEORGIA that the members of this body honor Airman First Class Antoine J. Holt for

1 making the ultimate sacrifice in his courageous and dedicated service to our nation and that  
2 the most sincere condolences are offered to his family and loved ones.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bridge at I-75 and Wade Green Road in Cobb  
4 County is dedicated as the Antoine J. Holt Memorial Bridge.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
6 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Antoine J. Holt Memorial  
7 Bridge.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
9 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Airman First Class Antoine  
10 J. Holt and to the Department of Transportation.