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House Resolution 146

By: Representatives Lane of the 158th, Burns of the 157th, Parrish of the 156th, Carter of the 159th, Stephens of the 164th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating portions of State Route 26 (U.S. 80) in Bulloch County in honor of the memory
- 2 of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, news of the passing of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler, late of Bulloch County, is
- 4 received with deep regret by this body; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the life led by this distinguished gentleman of 81 years rendered his name dear
- 6 to the hearts of his family and many friends alike; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Dr. Bohler attended Register Elementary School and graduated from Register
- 8 High School as valedictorian. He attended North Georgia College in Dahlonega,
- 9 Birmingham Southern, and the University of Georgia and was a graduate of Georgia
- 10 Southern College in 1950 and the Medical College of Georgia in 1954. Dr. Bohler began his
- 11 family medical practice on July 1, 1955 in Brooklet; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was a veteran of the United States Army Air Corps 20th Bomber Group,
- 13 serving during WW II in the Pacific Theatre. He received a Purple Heart and Air Medal as
- 14 a gunner on the B29 Bomber. Dr. Bohler was a member of the Brooklet United Methodist
- 15 Church, a past chairman of the Administrative Board of the church and a member of the Jack
- 16 Lee Sunday School Class. He was a past president of the Brooklet Kiwanis Club and a
- 17 member of the American Legion Post 90 and the Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce.
- 18 He served as team physician for Southeast Bulloch High School and was elected to the SEB
- 19 Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, Theta Kappa Psi
- 20 Fraternity, Forest Heights Country Club, the Chatham Club, Amelia Island Plantation Club,
- 21 1906 Society, and the Georgia Southern University Athletic Boosters Club and was on the
- 22 Georgia Southern Foundation Board of Directors; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Dr. Bohler was the recipient of the Deen Day Smith Service to Mankind Award
- 24 in 1991 and the Deen Day Smith Lifetime Achievement Award in 1993. He had been on the

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1 medical staff of Bulloch Memorial Hospital since 1955 and was the first physician on the

- 2 Bulloch Memorial Hospital Authority, a past president of the Ogeechee River Medical
- 3 Society, past president of the Medical Association of Georgia, chairman of the Georgia
- 4 Delegation to the American Medical Association, and a member of the Southern Medical
- 5 Association as well as many other organizations. In 1979 Dr. Bohler was honored with a
- 6 "Doctors Day" by the City of Brooklet for 25 years of community service. He was
- 7 recognized as "Citizen of the Year" in 1997 by the Statesboro Rotary Club. He was
- 8 respected and loved by all who knew him; and
- 9 WHEREAS, while in life he commanded the esteem of his fellow citizens, in his death we
- mingle our sympathies with the grief of his family and friends, and it is fitting and proper that
- 11 he be honored by this state in the community in which he lived.
- 12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 13 GEORGIA that this state expresses regret at the passing of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler and
- 14 honors his memory by designating State Route 26 (U.S. 80) from the eastern city limits of
- 15 Brooklet to the eastern city limits of Statesboro as the Dr. Charles Emory Bohler Highway,
- and the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain signs
- 17 so designating the highway.
- 18 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 Dr. Charles
- 20 Emory Bohler and the Department of Transportation.