

House Resolution 1475

By: Representative Sims of the 169th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending William "Billy" Harvey Jewell, Sr., and dedicating a bridge in his honor; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, William "Billy" Harvey Jewell, Sr., was born on July 30, 1930, to William
4 Riley Jewell and Johnnie Reva Newburn and spent the majority of his life living in
5 Willacoochee, Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Jewell served in the United States Army from 1950 to 1952 and was a
7 decorated war veteran of the Korean War having been awarded two Bronze Stars, the Korean
8 Service Medal, and the Infantryman's Badge for his patriotism and courage; and

9 WHEREAS, during the early 1970's, Mr. Jewell became a police officer in Willacoochee and
10 ultimately not only became Willacoochee's police chief, but also chief of police in Pearson,
11 Georgia; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Jewell was well respected and loved in his community and dedicated his
13 life to ensuring that all in his community were safe; and while the number of his selfless
14 deeds are countless, his heroism in saving the life of a child while camping in particularity
15 shall always be remembered; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Jewell lived his life as an example to all and taught many lessons in life,
17 not only to his family, but to all in his community who had the pleasure of knowing him; he
18 was a man of integrity and love that will not soon be forgotten.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body honor the life and the accomplishments of Mr. William "Billy"
21 Harvey Jewell, Sr.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the westbound lane of the easternmost bridge crossing
2 the Alapaha River on Highway 82 in Atkinson County be dedicated as the Corporal William
3 "Billy" Harvey Jewell, Sr. Bridge in his honor.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. William
6 "Billy" Harvey Jewell, Sr., and the Department of Transportation.