

House Resolution 1559

By: Representative Sims of the 119<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the memory of William "Billy" L. Powell, Jr., and designating portions of State  
2 Route 104 in Richmond County as the William "Billy" L. Powell, Jr., Highway; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, William "Billy" L. Powell, Jr., began working with the Georgia Department of  
5 Transportation in 1963, and he worked his way up the ladder from engineering aide to  
6 transportation engineer II; and

7 WHEREAS, he retired in 1996 after 34 years of faithful service, after which he worked with  
8 CPI Construction Company and Zel Engineers; and

9 WHEREAS, his first love in life was his family, his dear wife, Mary Alice, and his two  
10 daughters, and they were always on his mind, and his second love was fishing; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Powell was tragically killed by an unknown gunman a few days before  
12 Thanksgiving, 2005; and

13 WHEREAS, he is remembered in his community as a man of strong family values and moral  
14 fiber.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 GEORGIA that this state expresses regret at the passing of William "Billy" L. Powell, Jr.,  
17 and honors his memory by designating State Route 104 in Richmond County as the William  
18 "Billy" L. Powell, Jr., Highway, and the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
19 directed to erect and maintain signs so designating the highway.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of William  
22 "Billy" L. Powell, Jr., and the Department of Transportation.