

Senate Resolution 1323

By: Senators Brown of the 26th and Mullis of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Extending the portion of State Highway 19 dedicated in honor of Duane Allman; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1969, a group of young but already seasoned and incredibly talented
4 musicians, including guitarist Duane Allman, bassist Berry Oakley, vocalist and organist
5 Gregg Allman, guitarist Dickey Betts, percussionist Butch Trucks, and percussionist Jaimoe,
6 formed the Allman Brothers Band and established the band's home in Macon; and

7 WHEREAS, at now legendary jam sessions at their initial base on College Street, their later
8 home at the "Big House" on Vineville Avenue, and other locations in and around Macon,
9 including Rose Hill Cemetery and a farm known as Idlewild South, the band fused elements
10 of blues, jazz, rock, and country music to create a musical genre now known and loved as
11 "southern rock" and became one of the most exciting groups of performers ever to take the
12 stage; and

13 WHEREAS, the incomparable and wide-ranging talents, creativity, inspiration, soulfulness,
14 and dedication of the Allman Brothers Band remain evidenced in legacies of live
15 performances and studio recordings of such songs and compositions as "Statesboro Blues,"
16 "Dreams," "Midnight Rider," "Whipping Post," "In Memory of Elizabeth Reed," "Mountain
17 Jam," "Blue Sky," "Melissa," "One Way Out", "Hot 'Lanta," and "Little Martha"; and

18 WHEREAS, Duane Allman's all too brief life was tragically ended at age 24 by a motorcycle
19 accident on a street in Macon on October 29, 1971; and

20 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that his life and memory be honored by this state
21 and in the community which the band graced with their gifts and spirits.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
23 GEORGIA that the portion of State Highway 19 from its intersection with Pio Nono Avenue

24 to its intersection with New Street in the City of Macon is dedicated as "Duane Allman
25 Boulevard."

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
27 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating Duane Allman Boulevard.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Duane Allman and the
30 Department of Transportation.