

House Resolution 472

By: Representative Maddox of the 127<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Shi Gray Holmes and dedicating a highway in his memory; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Shi Gray Holmes was born July 19, 1914, the beloved son of Robert and Nelle  
4 Gray Holmes; and

5 WHEREAS, he was an outstanding graduate of Punta Gorda High School in Florida,  
6 attended the University of Florida, and graduated from Mercer University in Macon,  
7 Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, he served honorably in the United States Navy Reserves from 1942 to 1946 and  
9 bravely served his country as a Seabee during World War II; and

10 WHEREAS, his dedication to public service continued after he left the military, and he began  
11 working for the Secretary of State, and, in 1966, he became the Pike County Clerk of the  
12 Superior Court; and

13 WHEREAS, as the clerk of court, Mr. Holmes worked diligently and tirelessly for 21 years,  
14 passing from this world on February 7, 1999; and

15 WHEREAS, Shi Gray Holmes was a dedicated husband to his wife, Martha Clayton Dimon  
16 Kendrick, and loving father to his two children, Thomas Kendrick-Holmes and Charles  
17 Kendrick-Holmes; and

18 WHEREAS, Shi Gray Holmes will long be remembered by his family, friends, and the  
19 members of the community he served as a generous man, a valuable historian, and a true  
20 southern gentleman.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
22 GEORGIA that the members of this body express their sincerest condolences to the family  
23 and friends of Shi Gray Holmes upon his passing.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 19 in Pike County, Georgia, between  
25 the Spalding County line and the Upson County line be dedicated as the Shi Gray Holmes  
26 Memorial Highway.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
28 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Shi Gray Holmes Memorial  
29 Highway.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Shi Gray  
32 Holmes and the Department of Transportation.