

House Resolution 561

By: Representative Greene of the 149<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Dedicating a portion of State Route 45 as the Joe Bryan Highway; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Joe Bryan rendered distinguished public service as mayor of Damascus,  
3 Georgia, for six years; as a member of the city council of Damascus for more than 20 years;  
4 and as a school board member; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he served the peanut industry for more than fifty years, including service as  
6 president of Southern Peanut Warehousemen's Association and member of the advisory  
7 board of the Georgia Peanut Commission; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he was founder, director, and officer of Chem-Nut, Inc.; director of First State  
9 Bank, Blakely; and director of Blakely-Early County Chamber of Commerce; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was a Century Member of the Boy Scouts of America and a faithful  
11 supporter of Southwest Georgia Academy and area churches; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was a recipient of the Agribusiness Service Award, Georgia Peanut Service  
13 Award, and National Peanut Buying Points Association's Pioneer Award; and
- 14 WHEREAS, as the remembrance citation from St. James C.M.E. Church reads, "Joe Bryan  
15 never refused to help any worthy cause"; and as the citation from Bethel Methodist Church  
16 states, "Joe Bryan was a Godly man vigorously pursued a Godly path toward a Godly  
17 cause—helping his fellow man."
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
19 GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 45 in Early County beginning at the Miller County  
20 line and ending at the Calhoun County line is dedicated as the Joe Bryan Highway, and the  
21 Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain signs so  
22 identifying the highway.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
24 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Department of  
25 Transportation.