

Senate Resolution 116

By: Senator Hooks of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the heroism and bravery of PFC Luther H. Story and dedicating a bridge in his
2 memory; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Luther H. Story was a soldier in the United States Army during the Korean
4 War, and he posthumously received the Congressional Medal of Honor for his actions on
5 September 1, 1950; and

6 WHEREAS, he was born on July 20, 1931, in Buena Vista, Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, on September 1, 1950, PFC Story distinguished himself by conspicuous
8 gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action; and

9 WHEREAS, during a savage daylight attack that penetrated the thinly held lines of the 9th
10 Infantry, PFC Story, a weapons squad leader, observed a large group of the enemy crossing
11 the river to attack Company A; and seizing a machine gun from his wounded gunner, he
12 placed deadly fire on the hostile column, killing or wounding an estimated 100 enemy
13 soldiers; and

14 WHEREAS, facing certain encirclement, the company commander ordered a withdrawal;
15 during the move, PFC Story noticed the approach of an enemy truck, and after alerting his
16 comrades to take cover, he fearlessly stood in the middle of the road, throwing grenades into
17 the truck; and

18 WHEREAS, during the withdrawal, the company was attacked by such superior numbers that
19 it was forced to deploy in a rice field, and PFC Story was wounded in this action but,
20 disregarding his wounds, rallied the men about him and repelled the attack; when last seen,
21 he was firing every weapon available and fighting off another hostile assault; and

22 WHEREAS, PFC Story's extraordinary heroism, aggressive leadership, and supreme
23 devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon himself and were in keeping with the
24 esteemed traditions of the military service.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
26 GEORGIA that the members of this body honor the outstanding heroism and bravery of PFC
27 Luther H. Story and dedicate the bridge on SR 26, over the Kinchafoonee Creek in Marion
28 County, as the Luther Story Bridge.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
30 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Luther Story Bridge.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Luther H. Story and the
33 Department of Transportation.