

## House Resolution 573

By: Representative Shaw of the 176<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the service of PFC Don Manac and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, PFC Don Manac was serving his country as a member of Company H, Second  
4 Battalion, Seventh Marine Division, in the Republic of Vietnam, on August 20, 1970; and

5 WHEREAS, he was a member of a reaction force which was directed to relieve another  
6 Marine unit that had been pinned down by fire from a large North Vietnamese Army force;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, upon arriving at the site of the beleaguered unit, the reactionary force came  
9 under intense automatic weapons fire and, during the initial moments of the engagement, two  
10 Marines were seriously wounded; and

11 WHEREAS, observing that the casualties were lying in an open area, PFC Manac  
12 unhesitatingly moved across the fire-swept terrain to the side of his comrades and, seemingly  
13 heedless of the enemy rounds impacting around him, dragged them to a covered location; and

14 WHEREAS, determined to prevent the hostile force from taking and using the wounded  
15 soldiers' weapons, he again braved the enemy fusillade as he retrieved the rifles but, before  
16 he could reach the safety of his platoon's defensive, he was mortally wounded; and

17 WHEREAS, his heroic and determined actions inspired all who observed him and were  
18 instrumental in saving the lives of two fellow Marines; and

19 WHEREAS, by his courage, bold initiative, and selfless devotion to duty in the face of grave  
20 personal danger, PFC Manac upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and of the  
21 United States Naval Service and he gallantly gave his life in the service of his country; and

22 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that the ultimate sacrifice of PFC Don Manac be  
23 honored by establishing a lasting memorial in his honor.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
25 GEORGIA that this body desires to honor PFC Don Manac by dedicating the bridge on SR  
26 94 in Fargo, Georgia, at the Clinch/Echols County line, crossing Suwannee Creek, as  
27 the PFC Don Manac Memorial Bridge.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
29 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the PFC Don Manac Memorial  
30 Bridge.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of PFC Don  
33 Manac and to the Department of Transportation.