

House Resolution 1158

By: Representatives Greene of the 149th, Hanner of the 148th, Fullerton of the 151st, Kidd of the 141st, Stephens of the 164th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of the Honorable Jimmie Hodge Timmons, Jr., and
2 designating the Jimmie Hodge Timmons, Jr., Highway; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
4 with the passing of the Honorable Jimmie Hodge Timmons, Jr., on April 5, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Timmons was born on June 11, 1939, in Edison, Georgia, a beloved son
6 of Lucille Daniels Timmons and Jimmie Hodge "Red" Timmons, Sr.; and

7 WHEREAS, a graduate of Damascus High School, Mr. Timmons earned an associate's
8 degree from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, a bachelor's degree from the University
9 of Georgia, a master's degree from Auburn University, and a specialist's degree from the
10 University of Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Timmons served as an esteemed member of the Georgia State Senate from
12 1974 to 1992, adeptly representing the citizens of Senate District 11 and earning the respect
13 and admiration of his colleagues; and

14 WHEREAS, a distinguished educator for 40 years, Mr. Timmons served as an agriculture
15 teacher at Bainbridge High School, principal of Damascus Elementary School, principal and
16 Title I coordinator in the Calhoun County School System, and superintendent of the Calhoun
17 County School System; and

18 WHEREAS, he was an active member of Arlington Baptist Church, the Demosthenian
19 Literary Society of the University of Georgia, and the Calhoun Rifles Sons of Confederate
20 Veterans Edison-Calhoun County; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Timmon's leadership and guidance were instrumental during his service as
22 president of the Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Alumni Association and president
23 and secretary of the Arlington and Edison's Lions Clubs; and

24 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to "his honey," Lorraine Kavakos Timmons,
25 and was blessed with four remarkable stepchildren, Tommy, Laura, Bill, and Glynda, and
26 two wonderful grandchildren, Will and Marin; and

27 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
28 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
29 family and friends were admired by others; and

30 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
31 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
32 made this world a better place in which to live; and

33 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Timmons will long be remembered for
34 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal brother, husband, stepfather, grandfather, and
35 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
37 GEORGIA that State Route 62 from the county line between Early County and Calhoun
38 County in Arlington to Blakley is designated as the Jimmie Hodge Timmons, Jr., Highway.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
40 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Jimmie Hodge Timmons, Jr.,
41 Highway.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
43 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Jimmie Hodge
44 Timmons, Jr., and to the Department of Transportation.