

House Resolution 1673

By: Representatives Sims of the 119th, Howard of the 121st, and Smith of the 122nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Deputy James D. Paugh and dedicating an interchange in his memory;
2 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 Deputy James D. Paugh on October 23, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, Deputy Paugh was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state
6 and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the
7 sound principles of law enforcement; and

8 WHEREAS, known by friends and family as "J.D.," Deputy Paugh was a dedicated member
9 of the Richmond County Sheriff's Office for 17 years; and

10 WHEREAS, Deputy Paugh's life was cut tragically short while protecting the public near the
11 interchange of U.S. Route 78/State Route 10 with Interstate Route 520 in Augusta-Richmond
12 County; and

13 WHEREAS, he exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine
14 leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and his efficient and effective
15 commitment to excellence was continually recognized by his peers; and

16 WHEREAS, Deputy Paugh was a dedicated public servant who will long be remembered for
17 his courage and selflessness, and he will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
18 knowing him.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the interchange of U.S. Route 78/State Route 10 with
21 Interstate Route 520 in Augusta-Richmond County is dedicated as the Deputy James D.
22 Paugh Memorial Interchange.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
24 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Deputy James D. Paugh
25 Memorial Interchange.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Deputy James
28 D. Paugh and to the Department of Transportation.