

House Resolution 1732

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Coomer of the 14th, Reece of the 11th, and Crawford of the 16th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Chief David Vann and dedicating a road in his memory; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Chief David Vann served as treasurer of the Cherokee Nation from 1839 to
4 1856; and

5 WHEREAS, Chief Vann was a member of the Treaty Party that supported negotiation with
6 the United States for voluntary emigration of the Cherokee people to the West in order to
7 secure their rights; and

8 WHEREAS, the history of Floyd County suggests that Chief Vann built part of the county's
9 historic Montgomery House in Cave Spring, which is listed on the National Register of
10 Historic Places and is estimated as being built sometime between 1830 and 1850; and

11 WHEREAS, Chief Vann is believed to have lived on the site of the Montgomery House
12 before the land was taken from him as part of the Georgia Land Lottery; and

13 WHEREAS, Vann's Valley, the valley stretching through the Cave Spring area northwest to
14 around Six Mile Station, is named for Chief Vann; and

15 WHEREAS, the bypass from Highway 27 south to Blacks Bluff Road in Floyd County
16 crosses "The Trail of Tears" where the Cherokee people walked west in 1838-1839.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bypass in Floyd County from Highway 27 south to
19 Blacks Bluff Road is dedicated as the Chief Vann Bypass.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
21 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Chief Vann Bypass.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
23 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Chief David
24 Vann and the Department of Transportation.