

House Resolution 388

By: Representative Parrish of the 158th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Special Agent Garland E. Fields and dedicating a road in his memory;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
4 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Special Agent Garland E. Fields on March
5 3, 1948; and

6 WHEREAS, a native of Swainsboro, Georgia, Special Agent Fields was only on the job for
7 less than a month when he lost his life in a gun battle while investigating suspicious
8 individuals at the Lighthouse Restaurant in Swainsboro; and

9 WHEREAS, Special Agent Fields was the first Georgia Bureau of Investigation agent killed
10 in the line of duty; and

11 WHEREAS, Special Agent Fields exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding
12 loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of Ga. 56 in Emanuel County from U.S. 80 to
15 the Burke County line is dedicated as the Special Agent Garland E. Fields Memorial
16 Highway.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
18 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Special Agent Garland E.
19 Fields Memorial Highway.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
21 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Special Agent
22 Garland E. Fields and to the Department of Transportation.