

The House Committee on Transportation offers the following substitute to SR 293:

**A RESOLUTION**

1 Dedicating certain portions of the state highway system; and for other purposes.

2 **PART I**

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Ralph A. Pierce was born on October 17, 1912, in Lumpkin County,  
4 Georgia, and during his lifetime he played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep  
5 personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, a lifelong Lumpkin County resident, Mr. Pierce and his family operated C.D.  
7 Pierce and Son Grocery at the junction of Ga. 52 and Ga. 115 for 64 years; and

8 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Pierce was a member of Wahoo Baptist  
9 Church and taught the adult Sunday school class for over 50 years; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Pierce served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the  
11 United States Army, valiantly and courageously participating in the Normandy invasion as  
12 a TEC4 during World War II; and

13 WHEREAS, prior to his passing on August 9, 2012, Mr. Pierce was the oldest living veteran  
14 in Lumpkin County at the age of 99 years, nine months, and 23 days; and

15 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
16 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming a road in his  
17 memory.

18 **PART II**

19 WHEREAS, Judge William Jeffrey Lowe was born on April 12, 1958, in Lumpkin County,  
20 Georgia, and upon his graduation from Lumpkin County High School, he enrolled in the  
21 police academy and began work as a Lumpkin County deputy sheriff; and

22 WHEREAS, he dedicated 21 years to protecting and serving the citizens of Georgia as a  
23 deputy in Lumpkin and Forsyth counties, until he was asked to serve as Lumpkin County's  
24 Assistant Magistrate Judge; and

25 WHEREAS, in 1996, Judge Lowe was elected as a Magistrate Judge and served until his  
26 passing in 2012; and

27 WHEREAS, his leadership and vision were instrumental to numerous organizations,  
28 including as a charter member and president of the Georgia Jail Association and as a  
29 representative of the Ninth Circuit on the Council of Magistrate Court Judges; and

30 WHEREAS, Judge Lowe actively gave back to his community through his work with the  
31 local Jaycees, the Lions Club, Habitat for Humanity, Woodmen of the World, and Blue  
32 Mountain Lodge #38; and

33 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Judge Lowe was a lifetime member of Antioch  
34 Baptist Church; and

35 WHEREAS, Judge Lowe was united in love and marriage to his supportive and caring wife,  
36 Debbie, and the couple were inducted into the Order of the Eastern Star; and

37 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
38 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming an  
39 intersection in his memory.

40 **PART III**

41 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost a hero and good Samaritan with the passing of Mr.  
42 Dekai Amonrasi on July 31, 2012; and

43 WHEREAS, Mr. Amonrasi was born on February 26, 1964, the beloved son of Donald  
44 Fong and Fonseca Richards; and

45 WHEREAS, a true hero, Mr. Amonrasi selflessly responded to action when he witnessed a  
46 fellow driver's car hit a guard rail and flip over a bridge on Roosevelt Highway and onto train  
47 tracks below; and

48 WHEREAS, with only the thought of aiding another in need, Mr. Amonrasi exited his  
49 vehicle to provide assistance to the accident victim and lost his life in his attempt to save  
50 another's; and

51 WHEREAS, Mr. Amonrasi's willingness to sacrifice his own life to help another in need  
52 serves as the epitome of courage and bravery; and

53 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the heroic actions of this remarkable  
54 Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming a bridge in his memory.

55 **PART IV**

56 WHEREAS, Melvin Ernest Thompson was born on May 1, 1903, in Millen, Georgia, the  
57 beloved son of Eva Inez Edenfield Thompson and Henry J. Thompson; and

58 WHEREAS, Governor Thompson earned a bachelor's degree from Emory University and a  
59 master's degree from the University of Georgia; and

60 WHEREAS, he began his career in the field of education as a principal and coach at Emanuel  
61 County Institute, served as superintendent for the Hawkinsville Public School System,  
62 worked as a state school supervisor and an assistant state superintendent of schools, and  
63 served as secretary of the Executive Department under Governor Ellis Arnall; and

64 WHEREAS, after a two-year term as the state revenue commissioner, Governor Thompson  
65 was elected to this state's highest office in 1947; and

66 WHEREAS, during Governor Thompson's tenure as governor, the University of Georgia's  
67 veterinary medical school and the Georgia Institute of Technology's engineering building  
68 were constructed, educators received salary increases, and the state purchased Jekyll Island,  
69 which was turned into a successful, year-round public resort; and

70 WHEREAS, Governor Thompson was instrumental in the success of the City of Valdosta  
71 and Lowndes County, where his leadership as a founding member of the Valdosta-Lowndes  
72 County Industrial Authority spearheaded much of the urban development and planning for  
73 Valdosta and the surrounding areas, including the Azalea City Industrial Park; and

74 WHEREAS, a community leader and advocate, Governor Thompson served as chairman of  
75 the Education Committee for the Trade School Development Committee, president of the

76 Valdosta Rotary Club, and a member of Kappa Phi Kappa, Kappa Delta Phi, WOW, Civitan,  
77 and Shriners; and

78 WHEREAS, Governor Thompson was united in love and marriage to his wife, Ann Newton  
79 Thompson, and he was blessed with a remarkable son, Melvin Ernest Thompson, Jr., and five  
80 grandchildren; and

81 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
82 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming a road in his  
83 memory.

84 **PART V**

85 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put  
86 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the  
87 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

88 WHEREAS, Sergeant John A. Franklin was born on January 25, 1942, and served as a  
89 guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army with C. Company  
90 2nd Battalion, 501st Infantry, 101st Airborne Division; and

91 WHEREAS, a native of Rossville, Georgia, Sergeant Franklin gave the ultimate sacrifice on  
92 April 26, 1986, when he was killed in action in Thua Thien Province, South Vietnam; and

93 WHEREAS, Sergeant Franklin demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting  
94 democracy and gave the ultimate sacrifice to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

95 WHEREAS, it is important that fallen soldiers are thanked for their selfless service to this  
96 nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of  
97 the United States; and

98 WHEREAS, Sergeant Franklin embodied the spirit of service and found meaning in  
99 something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the sacrifice of  
100 this remarkable and distinguished American be honored appropriately.

101 **PART VI**

102 WHEREAS, Mr. Fernando Joseph Torras was born in 1885 in Brunswick, Georgia, and  
103 during his lifetime he played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep personal  
104 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia and Glynn County; and

105 WHEREAS, Mr. Torras served as Brunswick's city manager and was the main engineer for  
106 the causeway that was completed in 1924 to connect Brunswick to St. Simons Island and Sea  
107 Island; and

108 WHEREAS, a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology, Mr. Torras built rail lines,  
109 bridges, and roads in the jungles of South America before tackling the causeway project  
110 which alleviated the need for an hour ferry ride to get to St. Simons from the mainland; and

111 WHEREAS, at a time when others thought the construction of a causeway was impossible,  
112 Mr. Torras had the foresight and experience to realize that the soft mud of the marsh beds  
113 could be dredged to make a stable roadbed; and

114 WHEREAS, the causeway was completed and open to vehicular traffic on June 26, 1924,  
115 after one year and one month of construction and was recognized as an engineering feat of  
116 history; and

117 WHEREAS, the building of the causeway was an entirely local project which was  
118 undertaken by the 25,000 people of Glynn County without state or federal aid; and

119 WHEREAS, during his role as city manager, Mr. Torras oversaw the development of the  
120 Howard Coffin Recreation Center, the Edo Miller Ball Park, numerous public boat marinas,  
121 and other developments within Brunswick; and

122 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
123 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming a road in his  
124 memory.

125 **PART VII**

126 WHEREAS, during her lifetime, Mrs. Beulah Rucker Oliver demonstrated deep personal  
127 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia and made exceptional contributions to  
128 society; and

129 WHEREAS, Mrs. Rucker set an example for all women with her determination to make the  
130 world a better place; and

131 WHEREAS, in 1944, at the age of 56, Mrs. Rucker earned a degree from Savannah State  
132 College, while teaching public and private school, giving music lessons, and making and  
133 selling hats; and

134 WHEREAS, Mrs. Rucker opened The Industrial School in Hall County and later opened two  
135 schools in Gainesville, one of which was eventually merged with the City of Gainesville  
136 School District in the 1950s; and

137 WHEREAS, a dedicated educator and philanthropist, Mrs. Rucker was the first person to  
138 receive a Rosenwald Grant for her school, was the first woman to establish a school in  
139 Gainesville, and was the first person to start a Veterans Night School in this state; and

140 WHEREAS, Mrs. Rucker dedicated her entire life to "Light a Torch of Instruction"; and

141 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
142 this distinguished Georgian be recognized with the naming of an intersection in her honor.

143 **PART VIII**

144 WHEREAS, Mr. Felton L. Hudson was born on July 19, 1932, and during his lifetime he  
145 played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep commitment to the education of  
146 Georgia's future leaders; and

147 WHEREAS, a native of Greensboro, Georgia, Mr. Hudson earned a bachelor's degree from  
148 Morehouse College and a master's degree from the University of Georgia; and

149 WHEREAS, he dedicated over 37 years to challenging students in the Greene County Public  
150 School System as an educator and served as president of his local chapter of the Georgia  
151 Association of Educators; and

152 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Hudson was a lifelong member of New  
153 Springfield Baptist Church, where he served as chairman of the board of deacons and taught  
154 adult Sunday school class for over three decades, and served as a lay leader in the Second  
155 Shiloh Baptist Association; and

156 WHEREAS, Mr. Hudson served as president of the Greene County Branch of the NAACP,  
157 was a 33rd degree Mason with the Prince Hall Lodge where he served as Worshipful Master,  
158 and was a member of the Rotary Club of Greene County; and

159 WHEREAS, he organized Citizens United for Children, a nonprofit organization devoted to  
160 assisting underprivileged children and exposing them to cultural activities; and

161 WHEREAS, his leadership was invaluable to numerous Greene County organizations,  
162 including the Greene County Civic Association, the Greene County Board of Education, and  
163 the Greene County Recreation Department; and

164 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
165 this distinguished Georgian be recognized by naming a road in his honor.

166 **PART IX**

167 WHEREAS, Friendship Road in Hall County is being widened, and the project will include  
168 new realignment for the road; and

169 WHEREAS, three public hearings were held in the community to inform property owners  
170 along the new realignment project of the name proposal.

171 **PART X**

172 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put  
173 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the  
174 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

175 WHEREAS, United States military veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment  
176 to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort  
177 to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

178 WHEREAS, they have served as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty and have  
179 diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in order to serve  
180 their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

181 WHEREAS, it is important that veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation  
182 and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the  
183 United States; and

184 WHEREAS, veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something  
185 greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding  
186 accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored  
187 appropriately.

188 **PART XI**

189 WHEREAS, Reverend Willie Anderson, Sr., was born on January 5, 1924, and during his  
190 lifetime, he played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep commitment to the  
191 citizens of Georgia; and

192 WHEREAS, a native of Liberty County, Georgia, Reverend Anderson was educated in the  
193 Liberty County School System and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty  
194 with the United States Army during World War II; and

195 WHEREAS, he dedicated 32 years to Fort Stewart as a Class A Diesel Engine Mechanic and  
196 served as the first president of the Parent Teachers Association of Riceboro Elementary  
197 School; and

198 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Reverend Anderson pastored three churches  
199 during a span of 22 years, and he served as chairperson for the Georgia General Assembly  
200 of the Church of God; and

201 WHEREAS, Reverend Anderson served as president of the Liberty County NAACP for  
202 several years and was honored with the organization's Guiding Light Award in 1960; and

203 WHEREAS, a community leader, Reverend Anderson served as a county commissioner for  
204 Liberty County and board member of the Coastal Georgia Area Community Action, Inc.; and

205 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
206 this distinguished Georgian be recognized by naming an interchange and bridge in his honor.

207 **PART XII**

208 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law  
209 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Senior Patrol Officer Gail Denise Thomas on  
210 January 24, 2012, when she was killed by a drunk driver while responding to a traffic  
211 accident; and

212 WHEREAS, SPO Thomas was born on December 22, 1965, in Atlanta, Georgia, the beloved  
213 daughter of Juliet Mack Thomas and Early Thomas; and

214 WHEREAS, a graduate of Atlanta's S.H. Archer High School and Georgia Military College,  
215 SPO Thomas worked for the Atlanta Police Department as a 911 dispatch operator for five  
216 years before she attended the H.T. Jenkins Atlanta Police Academy, where she graduated  
217 among the top students in her class; and

218 WHEREAS, SPO Thomas served as a police officer in Atlanta's Zone 5 and was a dedicated  
219 member of the force's honor guard and Red Dog Unit prior to her appointment as a Senior  
220 Patrol Officer, where she served as a field training officer for new recruits; and

221 WHEREAS, she was an adoring mother to her daughter, Jasmine Jay Sherman, who made  
222 her proud each and every day; and

223 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
224 this distinguished Georgian be recognized with the naming of an interchange in her memory.

225 **PART XIII**

226 WHEREAS, Mr. Ray Daugharty was born on June 8, 1902, and spent a majority of his life  
227 in Fargo, Georgia; and

228 WHEREAS, Mr. Daugharty worked in the forestry industry his entire life, and at one time,  
229 he and his brother were considered to be the largest producers of cypress crossties in the  
230 United States; and

231 WHEREAS, in 1920, at the age of 18, while attempting to deliver a load of sugar to a local  
232 whiskey still, Mr. Daugharty's mules refused to cross a rickety bridge over a local creek; and

233 WHEREAS, Mr. Daugharty decided to detour through the creek, and his wagon flooded,  
234 dumping the 500 pounds of sugar into what is now known as Sweetwater Creek; and

235 WHEREAS, a respected citizen of Fargo, Mr. Daugharty was a county leader as a Clinch  
236 County Commissioner and was a faithful member of the local Methodist church; and

237 WHEREAS, he was a devoted husband to his wife, Wilma Ellington, and was a loving father  
238 to his children, Glenice Fogg, Willena Drewe, and George Ray Daugharty, Jr.; and

239 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
240 this distinguished Georgian be recognized with the naming of a bridge in his honor.

241 **PART XIV**

242 WHEREAS, during his lifetime, Mr. John Charles Birdine, Jr., played a vital role in  
243 leadership and demonstrated that he was truly a man of great courage, determination, and  
244 passion; and

245 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
246 States military, sustained disabling injuries after two tours of duty in Vietnam, and was  
247 recognized with the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and Vietnam service and campaign  
248 medals; and

249 WHEREAS, Mr. Birdine served with the National Black Men's Health Network, the Zoning  
250 Review Board of the City of Atlanta, the Price Economic Opportunity Atlanta, the Black  
251 Family Project, the Metro Atlanta Kwanza Committee, the Poole Creek Neighborhood  
252 Relocation Committee, and Foxhead Development Corporation; and

253 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance were instrumental as chairman of Atlanta's  
254 Neighborhood Planning Unit Z and he was recognized with awards from the International  
255 Register of Profiles, the Martin Luther King, Jr., Center for Nonviolent Social Change, and  
256 Cleveland Elementary School; and

257 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith who was loyal to country and prideful of his  
258 African American heritage, Mr. Birdine was an active member of Travelers Rest Baptist  
259 Church, the Dodd-Sterling Methodist Church, the Neighborhood Justice Center, Gate City  
260 Heritage House, the Disabled American Veterans Association, the NAACP, and the  
261 Association for the Studies of Classical African Civilization; and

262 WHEREAS, Mr. Birdine was largely responsible for the recovery and restoration of a slave  
263 graveyard containing approximately 300 to 400 unmarked graves directly under the  
264 Cleveland Avenue Bridge over Interstate 75 in Fulton County; and

265 WHEREAS, Mr. Birdine was the loving husband of Thelma Loretta L. Birdine, the proud  
266 father of five children, and a doting grandfather to ten grandchildren; and

267 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
268 this distinguished Georgian be recognized by naming a bridge in his honor.

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**PART XV**

271 WHEREAS, the Smoky Mountains are the most visited mountains in the United States; and

272 WHEREAS, Highway 411 is a historic and important road for commerce and is a major road  
273 for tourism; and

274 WHEREAS, Highway 411 takes drivers through picturesque communities and a friendly  
275 region that is the gateway to the Smoky Mountains.

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**PART XVI**

277 WHEREAS, Eurith Dickson "Ed" Rivers has long been recognized by the citizens of this  
278 state for the vital role he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the  
279 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

280 WHEREAS, Governor Rivers served in both chambers of the General Assembly, adeptly  
281 representing the interests of his constituents in Lanier County; and

282 WHEREAS, as a member of the Georgia State Senate, Governor Rivers demonstrated  
283 invaluable leadership and was elected to serve as President Pro Tempore by his colleagues;  
284 and

285 WHEREAS, he was elected Governor by the citizens of Georgia in 1936 and won reelection  
286 in 1939; and

287 WHEREAS, Governor Rivers served the State of Georgia with honor and distinction, and  
288 his vision and unyielding commitment set the standard for public service; and

289 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
290 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming a road in his  
291 memory.

292 **PART XVII**

293 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put  
294 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the  
295 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

296 WHEREAS, Mr. Jim McClelland, Sr., lived his entire life in Cook County, Georgia, and  
297 during his lifetime he demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy  
298 and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being  
299 of his fellow man; and

300 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
301 States 31st Infantry Regiment during World War II; and

302 WHEREAS, in 1942, Mr. McClelland was taken captive by Japanese forces and held as a  
303 prisoner of war for three years, four months, and 19 days, surviving the Bataan Death March;  
304 and

305 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance were invaluable to the citizens of Cook County as  
306 a member of the Lenox City Council for eight years; and

307 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of  
308 this distinguished Georgian be recognized by naming a bridge in his honor.

309 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL  
310 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of Ga. 52 in Lumpkin County from Ga. 115 to  
311 the Hall County line is dedicated as the Ralph A. Pierce Memorial Highway.

312 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. Highway 19  
313 and Cavender Creek Road in Lumpkin County is dedicated as the Judge William Jeffrey  
314 Lowe Memorial Intersection.

315 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 29 over the  
316 train tracks near Roosevelt Highway and Welcome All Road in Fulton County is dedicated  
317 as the Dekai Amonrasi Memorial Bridge.

318 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 75 in  
319 Lowndes County from the West Hill Avenue exit to the North Valdosta Road exit is  
320 dedicated as the Governor Melvin Ernest Thompson Memorial Highway.

321 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Battlefield  
322 Parkway and Dietz Road in Catoosa County is dedicated as the Sergeant John A. Franklin  
323 Memorial Intersection.

324 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that GA25-Spur E. from Brunswick to St.  
325 Simons Island in Glynn County is dedicated as the F.J. Torras Causeway.

326 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Highway 129 and  
327 Athens Street in Hall County is dedicated as the Beulah Rucker Oliver Memorial  
328 Intersection.

329 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Veazey Road over  
330 Interstate 20 in Greene County is dedicated as the Felton L. Hudson Memorial Bridge.

331 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 347 from  
332 Interstate 985 East to the Old Winder Highway is dedicated as the Lanier Islands Parkway.

333 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring  
334 military veterans and dedicates the interchange of I-475 and Thomaston Road in Macon-Bibb  
335 County as Veterans of All Wars Interchange.

336 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange and bridge at  
337 Interstate 95 over U.S. Highway 17 at South New Port Road in Liberty County is dedicated  
338 as the Reverend Willie Anderson, Sr., Memorial Interchange.

339 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange at Interstate 75 and  
340 Exit 251 in Fulton County is dedicated as the Senior Patrol Officer Gail Denise Thomas  
341 Memorial Interchange.

342 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Ga. 177 over  
343 Sweetwater Creek between Fargo and Stephen Foster State Park in Clinch County is  
344 dedicated as the Ray Daugharty Memorial Bridge.

345 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Cleveland Avenue over  
346 Interstate 75 in Fulton County is dedicated as the John Charles Birdine, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

347 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. 411 from Interstate  
348 75 to the Murray County line is dedicated as the Pathway to the Smokies.

349 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 122 in Lanier  
350 County that runs beside Banks Lake from the City of Lakeland to the Lowndes County line  
351 is dedicated as the Governor Eurith Dickson "Ed" Rivers Memorial Highway.

352 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on County Road 246  
353 Kinard Bridge Road over Interstate 75 in Cook County is dedicated as the Jim McClelland,  
354 Sr., POW Memorial Bridge.

355 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
356 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities named in this  
357 resolution.

358 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
359 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and the  
360 families of Mr. Ralph A. Pierce, Judge William Jeffrey Lowe, Mr. Dekai Amonrasi,  
361 Governor Melvin Ernest Thompson, Sergeant John A. Franklin, Mr. Fernando Joseph Torras,  
362 Mrs. Beulah Rucker Oliver, Mr. Felton L. Hudson, Reverend Willie Anderson, Sr., Senior  
363 Patrol Officer Gail Denise Thomas, Mr. Ray Daugharty, Mr. John Charles Birdine, Jr.,  
364 Governor Eurith Dickson "Ed" Rivers, and Mr. Jim McClelland, Sr.