

House Resolution 1367

By: Representative Houston of the 170th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Rowan and dedicating a road in his
2 memory; and for other purposes.

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

6 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Rowan was born on September 22, 1924, and
7 served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army and the
8 United States Air Force; and

9 WHEREAS, during his years of service with the United States Army, Lieutenant Colonel
10 Rowan served as a radio operator and bombardier and flew on 24 missions over Germany;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Rowan later joined the United States Air Force to train as
13 a pilot and flew 100 missions in the F-80 Shooting Star aircraft during the Korean War; and

14 WHEREAS, he served as a Forward Air Controller during the Vietnam War and flew 135
15 missions in the O-35 aircraft before retiring with 26 years of service; and

16 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Rowan demonstrated a deep personal commitment to
17 protecting democracy and dedicated his life to ensuring the well-being of his fellow man; and

18 WHEREAS, it is important that men and women of the armed forces are thanked for their
19 selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the
20 people and ideals of the United States; and

21 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Rowan embodied the spirit of service and found meaning
22 in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the sacrifice
23 of this remarkable and distinguished American be honored appropriately.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
25 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of Georgia Highway 135 in Berrien County
26 from its intersection with Georgia Highway 76 to Georgia Highway 168 is dedicated as the
27 Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Rowan Memorial Highway.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
29 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Lieutenant Colonel Charles
30 W. Rowan Memorial Highway.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Lieutenant
33 Colonel Charles W. Rowan and to the Department of Transportation.