

House Resolution 565

By: Representatives Rogers of the 10th, Gasaway of the 28th, England of the 116th, Roberts of the 155th, Powell of the 32nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. John Robert "Johnny" Mize and dedicating a bridge in his memory;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. John Robert "Johnny" Mize was born in 1913 in Demorest, Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, an extraordinary athlete, Johnny began his career in major league baseball in
5 1936 with the St. Louis Cardinals; and

6 WHEREAS, he went on to play with the New York Giants before retiring from the New
7 York Yankees in 1953; and

8 WHEREAS, he amassed incredible hitting and slugging records, with a .300 batting average
9 in nine consecutive seasons and 51 home runs in 1947 alone; and

10 WHEREAS, Johnny played on five World Series championship teams and was elected to the
11 Baseball Hall of Fame in 1981; and

12 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
13 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his
14 memory.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on State Route 385/Old Highway 441 over
17 Camp Creek in Habersham County is dedicated as the Johnny Mize Memorial Bridge.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
19 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Johnny Mize Memorial
20 Bridge.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
22 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
23 family of Mr. John Robert "Johnny" Mize and to the Department of Transportation.