

House Resolution 784

By: Representatives Bentley of the 139th, Dickey of the 140th, and Holmes of the 129th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. John David Duke Lane, Sr., and dedicating a bridge in his memory;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
4 with the passing of Mr. John David Duke Lane, Sr., on December 4, 2014; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Lane was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a beloved son of David Olin
6 Lane and Ruby Duke Lane; and

7 WHEREAS, he was a graduate of Gordon Military College and attended the University of
8 Georgia where he was a member of Chi Phi fraternity; and

9 WHEREAS, he worked with his grandfather, John David Duke, at Diamond D Farm and
10 then he and his father, David Lane, established Lane Packing Company; and

11 WHEREAS, in 2002, he was honored by his peers with the title of "Mr. Peach" and his
12 greatest joy was to ride around the farm, overseeing the growth and harvesting of the crops;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, he was a member of the board of directors of the First South Bank for many
15 years and was an avid outdoorsman, hunter, and fisherman; and

16 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
17 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
18 family and friends were admired by others; and

19 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
20 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
21 made this world a better place in which to live; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
23 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
25 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on State Route 96 over Interstate 75 in Peach
26 County is dedicated as the John David Duke Lane, Sr., Memorial Bridge.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
28 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the John David Duke Lane, Sr.,
29 Memorial Bridge.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Mr. John David Duke Lane, Sr., and to the Department of Transportation.