

Senate Resolution 126

By: Senator Gooch of the 51st

ADOPTED

A RESOLUTION

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

2 **PART I**

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Bill T. Hardman was named Georgia's first tourism director of the Georgia
4 Department of Industry and Trade in 1959 and was charged with the responsibility of
5 building this state's hospitality industry; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman established and served as president of the Southern Travel
7 Directors' Council, conducted the first Governor's Conference on Tourism in this country,
8 and promoted Georgia at travel conferences around the United States, Canada, and Europe;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, he helped organize and served as chairman of the National Association of
11 Travel Organizations and served on the organization's board of directors for 49 years; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman developed the concept of building Welcome Centers at major
13 highway entrances for the State of Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, in 1991 he created the Southeast Tourism Society's Marketing College at the
15 University of North Georgia; each year 300 students from 12 southern states travel to
16 Dahlonega to participate in this tourism oriented school, which has 879 graduates to date;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, he was active in the effort to preserve and restore Lumpkin County's original
19 courthouse, which now serves as Dahlonega's Gold Museum, and was part of the group of
20 local civic boosters who led a wagon train loaded with gold mined in Dahlonega to the State
21 Capitol to promote Dahlonega as a major tourism destination; and

22 WHEREAS, in his beloved hometown of Dahlonega, Mr. Hardman organized the Christmas
23 Decorating Contest for Dahlonega merchants and raised funds to restore and display the
24 Dahlonega Diving Bell, a relic from 1875 found in the Chestatee River; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman was awarded the Tourism Lifetime Achievement Award by the
26 State of Georgia and was inducted into the Atlanta Hospitality Hall of Fame.

27 **PART II**

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

31 WHEREAS, E-4 Roger Dorsey demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting
32 democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the
33 well-being of his fellow man; and

34 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
35 States Navy, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow citizens during the Vietnam
36 War on the Air Craft Carrier *Intrepid* as an E-4 and working on the aircraft departing and
37 coming from Vietnam; and

38 WHEREAS, E-4 Dorsey earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee at
39 Chattanooga and served as the owner and operator of the Lil Pig Convenience Store in
40 Rossville for 22 years; and

41 WHEREAS, a proud member of the VFW Post #3679, E-4 Dorsey was awarded the Republic
42 of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the National Defense Service Medal; and

43 WHEREAS, E-4 Dorsey embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something
44 greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and
45 distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his
46 memory.

47 **PART III**

48 WHEREAS, White County in Northeast Georgia is geographically considered part of the
49 Appalachian mountain range; and

50 WHEREAS, the cities of Cleveland and Helen in White County have promoted Cleveland
51 as the gateway to the Appalachian mountain range for more than 20 years; and

52 WHEREAS, the Appalachian Trail runs through White County and provides access to
53 Cleveland and Helen; and

54 WHEREAS, White County was designated as an official "Appalachian Trail Community"
55 in 2012 by the Appalachian Trail Conservancy; and

56 WHEREAS, White County is well known for its Appalachian folk potter face jugs and is
57 home to famous folk potter families including the Meaders, Hewell, Dorsey, and Ferguson
58 families; and

59 WHEREAS, the county is home to the Sautee Nacoochee Center, which includes an
60 American Heritage site featuring 19th century Appalachian artifacts which is used as an
61 American Appalachia teaching exhibit; and

62 WHEREAS, Cleveland and Helen in White County are well known in the field of
63 Appalachian heritage arts, promoting and developing educational programs to keep the
64 Appalachia visual and performing arts alive; and

65 WHEREAS, Cleveland is home to Xavier Roberts, founder of Original Appalachian
66 Artworks, where his Appalachian, handcrafted Little People heirloom dolls, now known as
67 Cabbage Patch Kids, were created; and

68 WHEREAS, White County has been designated as part of Appalachia by the federal
69 government and is eligible for grants from the Appalachian Regional Commission.

70 **PART IV**

71 WHEREAS, Mr. Frank L. Danchetz has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
72 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
73 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

74 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
75 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
76 dramatically by his superlative service with the Georgia Department of Transportation; and

77 WHEREAS, Mr. Danchetz earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the Georgia
78 Institute of Technology and dedicated his career to the Georgia Department of Transportation
79 for 34 years of superlative service in offices such as Environment and Location and Urban
80 Design, with ten years as Chief Engineer; and

81 WHEREAS, he was a professional mentor to many of the senior managers that currently lead
82 the department, and was instrumental in creating excellent relationships for the department
83 as a liaison to federal, state, and local legislators for project information; and

84 WHEREAS, he has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including the
85 Thomas H. MacDonald Memorial Award for continuous outstanding service over an
86 extended period to the art and science of highway engineering; and

87 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance were instrumental to AASHTO, where he served
88 as vice chairperson for the Standing Committee on Highways, as a member of the standing
89 committee on Research and the Asset Management Task Force, and held leadership positions
90 on the special committee on Environment, Archeology, and Historic Preservation; the
91 standing committee on Environment; and the National Transportation Product Evaluation
92 Program; and

93 WHEREAS, Mr. Danchetz was a pillar of support and institution of service for the Georgia
94 Department of Transportation, contributing some of the best years of his life to the
95 betterment of transportation; and

96 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
97 gratitude for this dedicated public servant by dedicating a road in his honor.

98 **PART V**

99 WHEREAS, Mr. Paul V. Liles, Jr., has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
100 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
101 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

102 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
103 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
104 dramatically by his superlative service with the Georgia Department of Transportation; and

105 WHEREAS, Mr. Liles earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the Georgia
106 Institute of Technology and dedicated his career to the Georgia Department of Transportation
107 with nearly four decades of superlative service, 22 years of which were as the State Bridge
108 Engineer; and

109 WHEREAS, he is an institution in the bridge and structural engineering world and has served
110 on a variety of committees for both state and national organizations over the years, including
111 AASHTO's Seismic, Construction, Concrete, Welding, Polymer Composites, and Security
112 committees and the Transportation Research Board's General Structures, Concrete Bridges,
113 Steel Bridges, Structural Fiber Reinforced Plastics, and Bridge Management committees; and

114 WHEREAS, a registered professional engineer, Mr. Liles holds the title of longest serving
115 employee at the department with 45 years of dedicated and professional activities on his
116 record; and

117 WHEREAS, his influence, role, and impact on engineering and bridge design in the State of
118 Georgia is truly meaningful and will be valued for generations to come; and

119 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
120 gratitude for this dedicated public servant by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

121 **PART VI**

122 WHEREAS, Senator Lawrence (Bud) Stumbaugh has long been recognized by the citizens
123 of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal
124 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

125 WHEREAS, a graduate of Lipscomb University, Senator Stumbaugh's professional career
126 includes roles as a professional manager, entrepreneur, motivational speaker, and public
127 servant; and

128 WHEREAS, Senator Stumbaugh diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and
129 energy to the citizens of Georgia as a member of the Georgia State Senate for 16 years; and

130 WHEREAS, during the eight terms Senator Stumbaugh served in the Senate, his leadership
131 and bi-partisan spirit were evident as chairman of the Senate Insurance Committee; and

132 WHEREAS, he has spoken before sales management groups, civic clubs, political forums,
133 and school, religious, and business functions in 26 states; and

134 WHEREAS, Senator Stumbaugh grew one of his companies, Team Services, Inc., to 1,500
135 employees in 39 states and helped make it the 29th fastest growing corporation in America
136 before selling it on the London Stock Exchange; and

137 WHEREAS, he has served on the Board of Founders for Lipscomb University and the Board
138 of Trustees for Faulkner University; and

139 WHEREAS, during his tenure with the Georgia Senate, Senator Stumbaugh served as vice
140 chairperson for the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Overview Committee; and

141 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
142 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

143 **PART VII**

144 WHEREAS, Captain Herbert "Herb" Lee Emory was born on April 2, 1953, in Transylvania
145 County, North Carolina; and

146 WHEREAS, Captain Herb moved to Atlanta in 1971 to attend the Atlanta School of
147 Broadcasting and National School of Broadcasting and began serving as a traffic reporter in
148 Atlanta; and

149 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Captain Herb worked with numerous local radio stations,
150 including WSNE of Cumming, WDGL of Douglasville, WFOM of Marietta, WACX of
151 Austell, WQXI-AM, 94 Q-Star 94, and Georgia Network News; and

152 WHEREAS, in 1991 Captain Herb moved to WSB Radio and *Channel 2 Action News*, where
153 he initiated and helped build the traffic team system and infrastructure, including the
154 concepts of "Red Alerts" and "Triple Team Traffic" which countless Atlanta commuters grew
155 to rely upon for accuracy and up-to-the-minute traffic advisories; and

156 WHEREAS, Captain Herb's commitment to helping Atlanta's drivers navigate traffic with
157 ease is evident by his numerous awards and accolades, including at least 15 First Place
158 Awards, including two Green Eyeshades, for news and traffic reports from the Georgia

159 Associated Press Association, and his induction into the Georgia Radio Hall of Fame in
160 2008; and

161 WHEREAS, his generosity of spirit and compassion for others was also widely recognized
162 as he hosted the annual Toys for Tots fundraiser at Fred's Barbeque House in Lithia Springs,
163 volunteered with the Douglas County Boys and Girls Club, was a dedicated member of the
164 Douglas County Animal Control Advisory Board, served on the Friends of Sweetwater Creek
165 State Park Board of Directors, and raised awareness against drinking and driving; and

166 WHEREAS, Captain Herb passed away on April 12, 2014, doing what he did best—helping
167 others, and his presence and work has been sorely missed by the Atlanta community; and

168 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
169 gratitude for the life's work of this Atlanta icon by dedicating a road in his memory.

170 **PART VIII**

171 WHEREAS, Mrs. Runell "Nell" Brooks Foster was born on March 27, 1906, a beloved
172 daughter of George B. and Emma Palmer Brooks; and

173 WHEREAS, the youngest of 12 children, Mrs. Foster's father was a prominent farmer and
174 land owner and she grew up on the family farm which consisted of more than 150 acres that
175 spanned across what is now the intersection of U.S. Highway 78 and Rosebud Road; and

176 WHEREAS, she attended Midway School, where she later went on to return as a teacher, and
177 is the oldest living graduate of Grayson High School; and

178 WHEREAS, Mrs. Foster was united in love and marriage to her high school sweetheart,
179 Clyde Foster, on February 12, 1928, and after the couple lived for a short time in Atlanta,
180 they returned to the corner of Rosebud Road and U.S. Highway 78 to live in the rock house
181 at the intersection; and

182 WHEREAS, now a centenarian, Mrs. Foster has lived on Rosebud Road and U.S. Highway
183 78 for 83 years and raised three daughters, Mary, Pat, and Sara, there; and

184 WHEREAS, Mr. Foster owned and operated Foster's Service Station across from the family
185 home for 45 years; and

186 WHEREAS, for decades, the Foster's rock home has served as a landmark in the area, and
187 it is abundantly fitting and proper that the intersection be dedicated in honor of Mrs. Foster
188 and her family.

189 **PART IX**

190 WHEREAS, Ms. Gladys Maria Knight was born on May 28, 1944, in Atlanta, Georgia, the
191 beloved daughter of Sarah Elizabeth and Merald Woodlow Knight, Sr.; and

192 WHEREAS, known as the "Empress of Soul," Ms. Knight is a world renown recording artist,
193 songwriter, businesswoman, humanitarian, and author; and

194 WHEREAS, her group, Gladys Knight & the Pips, was known for its award winning motown
195 sound and R&B with hits such as "I Heard It Through the Grapevine," "Neither One of Us
196 (Wants to Be the First to Say Goodbye)," "Midnight Train to Georgia," and "You're the Best
197 Thing That Ever Happened to Me"; and

198 WHEREAS, Ms. Knight's Grammy Award winning performances include "That's What
199 Friends Are For," "Superwoman," "Missing You," and "Heaven Help Us All"; and

200 WHEREAS, she earned the title of Best Traditional R&B Vocal Album from the Grammy's
201 for her work on *At Last* and Best Gospel Choir or Chorus Album for *One Voice*; and

202 WHEREAS, in addition to her amazing musical talent, Ms. Knight is a talented actress,
203 earning a Golden Globe Best New Actress nomination for her role in *Pipe Dreams*; and

204 WHEREAS, Ms. Knight has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades,
205 including an *Essence* award for Career Achievement, Trumpet Awards Foundation Pinnacle
206 Award, BET Lifetime Achievement Award, NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Jazz
207 Artist, and Soul Train Music Awards Lifetime Achievement Award; and

208 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
209 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in her honor.

210 **PART X**

211 WHEREAS, Mr. Willie A. Watkins has long been recognized for his expertise as a mortician
212 and funeral director and the compassionate role he has played during the most difficult time
213 of a family's life; and

214 WHEREAS, a native of Scottdale, Georgia, Mr. Watkins was called to the mortuary field
215 at a young age after accompanying his grandmother each weekend to funeral services of
216 friends and neighbors in the small community and observing how important it was for
217 families to see their loved ones remembered with dignity and grace; and

218 WHEREAS, Mr. Watkins's first job was at the age of eight, placing flowers alongside the
219 hearses for a local funeral home; and

220 WHEREAS, his eagerness to excel in the field of mortuary science was evident when he was
221 hired as a teenager by Thorton Mortuary, where he learned the heart and soul of the funeral
222 services business; and

223 WHEREAS, during his sophomore year at Morehouse College, Mr. Watkins left the school
224 to become part of the first class at Gupton Jones Mortuary College, where he earned an
225 associate's degree in mortuary science; and

226 WHEREAS, he became a licensed funeral director and embalmer in 1971, and in 1978, at
227 age 29, he purchased a building in the Historic West End of Atlanta which he would grow
228 to become the epicenter of a mortuary business empire; and

229 WHEREAS, today, Willie A. Watkins Funeral Home, Inc., has five locations, all of which
230 are impeccably designed to make guests feel comfortable at a time when they are most ill at
231 ease, and serves more than 1,000 families a year; and

232 WHEREAS, Mr. Watkins sets the standard for personal service, offering families the release
233 of doves, signature flower cars, black cars with silver tops, and horse drawn carriages for
234 processions; and

235 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
236 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

237 **PART XI**

238 WHEREAS, South Georgia is one of the few areas remaining in the United States where
239 there are miles of rural landscape, historic small towns, and abundant agricultural operations;
240 and

241 WHEREAS, the promotion of agri-tourism represents a readily available and effective tool
242 for spurring economic development; and

243 WHEREAS, the portions of U.S. Highway 301 to be included in Georgia Grown Trail: 301
244 wind through eight counties with miles of family owned farms, unique lodging, u-pick farms,
245 farm stands, farm murals, hands-on educational farm experiences, farm to table restaurants
246 and establishments dedicated to preserving and sharing local recipes and traditions, and time
247 honored and progressive crops and farming techniques; and

248 WHEREAS, a group of concerned representatives from each county along U.S. Highway 301
249 has met since March, 2014, with a mission to develop, preserve, and promote unique tourist
250 destinations along the eight-county corridors; and

251 WHEREAS, the Georgia Grown Highway 301 Association board of directors has a vision
252 to create a unique, memorable driving experience and includes members of the Screven
253 County Chamber of Commerce, Statesboro Convention and Visitors Bureau, Claxton/Evans
254 County Chamber of Commerce, Glennville Chamber of Commerce, Long County Chamber
255 of Commerce, Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, Brantley County Economic
256 Development, and Charlton County Chamber and Economic Development; and

257 WHEREAS, dedication of this route as a scenic highway will promote economic well-being
258 through agri-tourism.

259 **PART XII**

260 WHEREAS, Mr. Ozzie M. Hannah has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
261 the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
262 of the citizens of Georgia; and

263 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
264 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
265 dramatically by his superlative service with the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners;
266 and

267 WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah was the first African American commissioner to be elected in
268 Jefferson County and served three terms, adeptly tackling issues that affected the citizens of
269 Jefferson County and representing his constituents commendably; and

270 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
271 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of
272 Jefferson County earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

273 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
274 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

275 WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah served with honor and distinction with the Jefferson County Board
276 of Commissioners and his vision and unyielding commitment set the standard for public
277 service; and

278 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
279 gratitude for this dedicated public servant by dedicating a road in his memory.

280 **PART XIII**

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

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

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

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

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

297 **PART XIV**

298 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its most promising young citizens with the
299 tragic passing of Ethan Rutledge on November 30, 2014; and

300 WHEREAS, Ethan was a sweet, handsome, and amazing young man who never let anything
301 get him down; and

302 WHEREAS, he made an immediate and lasting impression with every action he took, always
303 working tirelessly to help those around him and others in need; and

304 WHEREAS, a dedicated and talented athlete, Ethan excelled as a football player and a
305 cheerleader; and

306 WHEREAS, the spirit of this altruistic young man will live on through the precious gift of
307 life he has given to hundreds as an organ donor; and

308 WHEREAS, a generous and passionate young man, Ethan will long be remembered for his
309 love of family and friendship, and this loyal son, brother, teammate, and friend is deserving
310 of an intersection named in his memory.

311 **PART XV**

312 WHEREAS, Mr. James Howard "Bud" Holloway, Jr., was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on July
313 2, 1932, the beloved son of James Howard Holloway, Sr., and Louise Walton Holloway; and

314 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
315 States Navy, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow citizens and upholding the
316 ideals of America; and

317 WHEREAS, in 1967, Mr. Holloway became the owner of the Pink Pig, a BBQ restaurant in
318 the community of Cherry Log; and

319 WHEREAS, a cherished member of the Cherry Log community, Mr. Holloway always had
320 a gold dollar for the children dining at his restaurant and a funny story to tell his guests; and

321 WHEREAS, Mr. Holloway will long be remembered for his sense of humor and quick wit,
322 and his political debates continue to be sorely missed by those who loved him; and

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

326 **PART XVI**

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

328 WHEREAS, an extraordinary athlete, Johnny began his career in major league baseball in
329 1936 with the St. Louis Cardinals; and

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

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

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

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

339 **PART XVII**

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

343 WHEREAS, Corporal Russell S. King played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a
344 deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

345 WHEREAS, Corporal King was born on June 21, 1931, and graduated from Hoboken High
346 School in Brantley County, Georgia; and

347 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
348 States military, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the
349 Korean War; and

350 WHEREAS, Corporal King was held captive as a prisoner of war for 33 months; and

351 WHEREAS, Corporal King embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in
352 something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable
353 and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his
354 memory.

355 **PART XVIII**

356 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
357 citizens with the passing of Mr. Hoyt D. "Slick" Tatum on August 5, 2013; and

358 WHEREAS, Mr. Tatum was born on November 16, 1931, in Cartersville, Georgia, a beloved
359 son of the late Hoyt "Hob" Tatum and Lillian Tumlin Tatum; and

360 WHEREAS, Mr. Tatum was united in love and marriage to Polly Pierce Tatum and was
361 blessed with three remarkable children, Susan, Charles, and Bob; four wonderful
362 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; and

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

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

369 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body honor the life
370 of this distinguished Georgian by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

371 **PART XIX**

372 WHEREAS, Mr. Henry Carlton Floyd has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
373 for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
374 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

375 WHEREAS, Mr. Floyd was born on March 11, 1940, in Royston, Georgia, the beloved son
376 of Louise Carlton Floyd and Grady Floyd; and

377 WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia and was the owner
378 and operator of Ladds Farm Supply; and

379 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Floyd was an active member of Euharlee
380 Baptist Church where he attended the adult Sunday school class and served as trustee and
381 maintenance and grounds director; and

382 WHEREAS, Mr. Floyd served with honor and distinction on the Euharlee Farmer's Club and
383 the Kiwanis Club, and his leadership was instrumental to the board of directors for the
384 Cartersville-Bartow County Airport Authority; and

385 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
386 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his memory.

387 **PART XX**

388 WHEREAS, Mr. Jimmy B. Lord has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
389 vital role that he has played in community leadership and his deep personal commitment to
390 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

391 WHEREAS, Mr. Lord was born in Washington County, Georgia, and graduated from
392 Harrison High School before attending John A. Gupton School of Mortuary Science; and

393 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
394 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
395 dramatically by his superlative service as county coroner and as member of the Georgia
396 General Assembly; and

397 WHEREAS, Mr. Lord was elected to the House of Representatives in 1997 and served until
398 2008, holding such leadership positions as chairperson of the House Committee on Defense
399 and Veterans Affairs and the House Committee on Insurance; and

400 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
401 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his honor.

402 **PART XXI**

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

406 WHEREAS, disabled American veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment
407 to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort
408 to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

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

412 WHEREAS, it is important that disabled American veterans are thanked for their selfless
413 service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people
414 and ideals of the United States; and

415 WHEREAS, disabled American veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find
416 meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that
417 the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished
418 Americans be honored appropriately.

419 **PART XXII**

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

423 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Melvin Poole played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated
424 a deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

425 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Poole was born on February 18, 1948, and served as a guardian
426 of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States military, valiantly and
427 courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the Vietnam War; and

428 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Poole embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning
429 in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable

430 and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his
431 memory.

432 **PART XXIII**

433 WHEREAS, Mr. Michael Andrew Norris was born on January 5, 1990, the beloved son of
434 Bennett and Fran Norris; and

435 WHEREAS, Mr. Norris grew up in Culloden, Georgia, where he graduated from Mary
436 Persons High School and later went on to earn an associate's degree in criminal justice from
437 Gordon State College; and

438 WHEREAS, he became a deputy with the Monroe County Sheriff's Department in 2012,
439 working as a jail officer and school resource officer for K.B. Sutton Elementary School; and

440 WHEREAS, Mr. Norris exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine
441 leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties; and

442 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short from injuries he
443 sustained in the line of duty; and

444 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Norris was an active member of Culloden
445 Primitive Baptist Church; and

446 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
447 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his memory.

448 **PART XXIV**

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

452 WHEREAS, Private John P. Dion played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep
453 personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

454 WHEREAS, Private Dion was born in Shattuck, Oklahoma, and enlisted in the United States
455 Armed Forces after graduating from high school; and

456 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with 4th Brigade
457 Combat Team of the 4th Infantry Division; and

458 WHEREAS, Private Dion made the ultimate sacrifice for his fellow Americans when his unit
459 was attacked by insurgents while serving in Ashoque, Afghanistan; and

460 WHEREAS, Private Dion embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in
461 something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable
462 and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his
463 memory.

464 **PART XXV**

465 WHEREAS, Mr. Samuel L. Cummings has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
466 for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
467 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

468 WHEREAS, Mr. Cummings was born in Midvale, Georgia, one of 13 beloved children of
469 the late Lawton and Mary Cummings; and

470 WHEREAS, educated in the Burke County School System, Mr. Cummings attended
471 Swansboro Junior College and the University of Georgia before he became the first African
472 American certified elected official in Burke County; and

473 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
474 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
475 dramatically by his superlative service as a city councilmember and mayor for the City of
476 Midvale; and

477 WHEREAS, Mr. Cummings' leadership and guidance have been instrumental to numerous
478 organizations, including the Optimism Club of Midvale, board of directors for Family and
479 Children Services of Burke County, and Midvale Development Authority; and

480 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
481 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his honor.

482 **PART XXVI**

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

486 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and this nation continue to mourn the loss of one of its
487 finest citizens with the untimely passing of Staff Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead on April 24,
488 2008; and

489 WHEREAS, a native of Commerce, Georgia, Staff Sergeant Whitehead attended Commerce
490 High School and joined the United States Armed Forces in 2003; and

491 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty as a member of the
492 A Company, 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team; and

493 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Whitehead was struck and killed by a bomb while patrolling on
494 foot in Iskandariyah, Iraq; and

495 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this American hero has left an unfillable void in the
496 hearts and lives of his parents, wife, children, family, and friends; and

497 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Whitehead embodied the spirit of service, willing to find
498 meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this
499 remarkable and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge
500 in his memory.

501 **PART XXVII**

502 WHEREAS, Mr. Bill T. Hardman was named Georgia's first tourism director of the Georgia
503 Department of Industry and Trade in 1959 and was charged with the responsibility of
504 building this state's hospitality industry; and

505 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman established and served as president of the Southern Travel
506 Directors' Council, conducted the first Governor's Conference on Tourism in this country,
507 and promoted Georgia at travel conferences around the United States, Canada, and Europe;
508 and

509 WHEREAS, he helped organize and served as chairman of the National Association of
510 Travel Organizations and served on the organization's board of directors for 49 years; and

511 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman developed the concept of building Welcome Centers at major
512 highway entrances for the State of Georgia; and

513 WHEREAS, in 1991 he created the Southeast Tourism Society's Marketing College at the
514 University of North Georgia; each year 300 students from 13 southern states travel to
515 Dahlonega to participate in this tourism oriented school, which has 804 graduates to date;
516 and

517 WHEREAS, he was active in the effort to preserve and restore Lumpkin County's original
518 courthouse, which now serves as Dahlonega's Gold Museum, and was part of the group of
519 local civic boosters who led a wagon train loaded with gold mined in Dahlonega to the State
520 Capitol to promote Dahlonega as a major tourism destination; and

521 WHEREAS, in his beloved hometown of Dahlonega, Mr. Hardman organized the Christmas
522 Decorating Contest for Dahlonega merchants and raised funds to restore and display the
523 Dahlonega Driving Bell, a relic from 1875 found in the Chestatee River; and

524 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman was awarded the Tourism Lifetime Achievement Award by the
525 State of Georgia and was inducted into the Atlanta Hospitality Hall of Fame.

526 **PART XXVIII**

527 WHEREAS, Mr. William Love Walton played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated
528 a deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

529 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
530 States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during
531 World War II; and

532 WHEREAS, an upstanding resident of Eatonton, Georgia, for 88 years, Mr. Walton was a
533 dairy farmer and beef farmer, helping to put the city on the map as the dairy capital of the
534 world; and

535 WHEREAS, Mr. Walton was named Georgia's Soil Conservationist of the Year in the early
536 1960's; and

537 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Walton was an active member of First
538 Baptist Church of Eatonton; and

539 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage for more than 64 years to his wife, Carolyn
540 Cunningham Walton, and he was blessed with four remarkable children; and

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

544 **PART XXIX**

545 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
546 citizens with the passing of Mrs. Pauline Spearman Brinkley; and

547 WHEREAS, Mrs. Brinkley was a woman with exceptional values and enduring work ethic,
548 as evidenced by the countless hours she spent inspiring and influencing the children of
549 Faceville and Decatur County, Georgia, through her work with the school lunch room
550 program during and after World War II; and

551 WHEREAS, a widowed mother of five, Mrs. Brinkley sewed clothes for her children out of
552 patterns cut from newspapers and made her children's upbringing and happiness a priority
553 during the most challenging of financial times; and

554 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
555 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
556 her family and friends were admired by others; and

557 WHEREAS, Mrs. Brinkley was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable
558 reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made
559 of her life, she made this world a better place in which to live; and

560 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
561 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in her memory.

562

PART XXX

563 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
564 citizens with the passing of Senior Police Officer Elmer B. "Buddy" Christian III on March
565 22, 2011; and

566 WHEREAS, Officer Christian grew up in Madison County, Georgia, a beloved son of Bud
567 and Carolyn Christian; and

568 WHEREAS, Officer Christian was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and
569 state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication
570 to the sound principles of law enforcement; and

571 WHEREAS, he worked with the Athens-Clarke County Transportation and Public Works
572 Department before joining the Athens-Clarke County Police Department in December of
573 2002 as a police officer; and

574 WHEREAS, Officer Christian was promoted to Senior Police Officer in March of 2010 and
575 was a member of the department's honor guard; and

576 WHEREAS, on March 22, 2011, Officer Christian paid the ultimate sacrifice when he was
577 shot and killed in the line of duty; and

578 WHEREAS, he was posthumously honored with the Sherm Applebaum Award by the
579 Athens Rotary Club, Red Cross Heroes Award by the American Red Cross East Georgia
580 Chapter, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Sworn Employee of the First Quarter of 2011
581 by the Athens-Clarke County Police Department, and Sworn Employee of the Year for 2011;
582 and

583 WHEREAS, his name has been added to the wall at the National Law Enforcement
584 Memorial in Washington, D.C., and the Georgia Law Enforcement Memorial; and

585 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments and
586 sacrifice of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge
587 in his memory.

588

PART XXXI

589 WHEREAS, Mr. James Henning Perry, also known as Uncle Jim Perry of Nashville, was
590 born in May, 1922, in Nashville, Georgia, the beloved son of Edmond and Carrie Dorsey
591 Perry and the brother of Mary Erneste Perry Houston and W.D. "Bill" Perry; and

592 WHEREAS, Mr. Perry graduated from Berrien County High School, where he was a popular
593 football star, and attended the University of Georgia; and

594 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
595 States Armed Forces and landed on Utah Beach in Normandy, France, on D-Day; and

596 WHEREAS, throughout World War II, Mr. Perry fought at the Battle of St. Lo, France, the
597 Liberation of Paris, the Battle of Huertgen Forest, and the Battle of Baston/Battle of the
598 Bulge; and

599 WHEREAS, his valor and bravery were recognized with medals and awards which include
600 the Silver Star, Army Accommodation Medal for Valor, Purple Heart, Expert Infantryman's
601 badge, three campaign ribbons for the war in Europe, and National Defense Medal; and

602 WHEREAS, he was awarded the French Croix de Guerre, a medal equivalent to the
603 Distinguished Service Cross given by the United States Armed Forces, for valor under fire
604 on behalf of the liberation of Paris and the French people; and

605 WHEREAS, upon his return to the United States after the war, Mr. Perry became a
606 community leader, speaking often around the country; and

607 WHEREAS, Mr. Perry was the president and owner of the Nashville Grocery Company, a
608 director and agent of Life of the South Insurance Company, and a bank director of the
609 Citizens Bank; and

610 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Perry was a devoted member of Nashville
611 United Methodist Church where he sang in the choir and was on the church board; and

612 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his supportive wife, Mary Payne Brown,
613 and was blessed with two remarkable children, Jimmy and Kathryn; and

614 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
615 service of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

616 **PART XXXII**

617 WHEREAS, Captain Herb Emory was born on April 2, 1953, in Transylvania County, North
618 Carolina; and

619 WHEREAS, Captain Herb moved to Atlanta in 1971 to attend the Atlanta School of
620 Broadcasting and National School of Broadcasting and began serving as a traffic reporter in
621 Atlanta; and

622 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Captain Herb worked with numerous local radio stations,
623 including WSNE of Cumming, WDGL of Douglasville, WFOM of Marietta, WACX of
624 Austell, WQXI-AM, 94 Q-Star 94, and Georgia Network News; and

625 WHEREAS, in 1991 Captain Herb moved to WSB Radio and *Channel 2 Action News*, where
626 he initiated and helped build the traffic team system and infrastructure, including the
627 concepts of "Red Alerts" and "Triple Team Traffic" which countless Atlanta commuters grew
628 to rely upon for accuracy and up-to-the-minute traffic advisories; and

629 WHEREAS, Captain Herb's commitment to helping Atlanta's drivers navigate traffic with
630 ease is evident by his numerous awards and accolades, including at least 15 First Place
631 Awards, including two Green Eyeshades, for news and traffic reports from the Georgia
632 Associated Press Association, and his induction into the Georgia Radio Hall of Fame in
633 2008; and

634 WHEREAS, his generosity of spirit and compassion for others was also widely recognized
635 as he hosted the annual Toys for Tots fundraiser at Fred's Barbeque House in Lithia Springs,
636 volunteered with the Douglas County Boys and Girls Club, was a dedicated member of the
637 Douglas County Animal Control Advisory Board, served on the Friends of Sweetwater Creek
638 State Park Board of Directors, and raised awareness against drinking and driving; and

639 WHEREAS, Captain Herb passed away on April 12, 2014, doing what he did best—helping
640 others, and his presence and work has been sorely missed by the Atlanta community; and

641 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
642 gratitude for the life's work of this Atlanta icon by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

643 **PART XXXIII**

644 WHEREAS, Mr. Wayne J. Hawes was born on February 22, 1914, the beloved son of the
645 late Jack and Josephine Dallas Hawes; and

646 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
647 States Air Corps, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow citizens in World War II;
648 and

649 WHEREAS, a graduate of Washington High School, Mr. Hawes earned a bachelor's degree
650 from Savannah State University and devoted his career to inspiring young people as an
651 educator; and

652 WHEREAS, he taught at several elementary schools in Lincoln County and served as a
653 social studies teacher, department chairperson, assistant principal, and accounts manager at
654 West Side High School; and

655 WHEREAS, a civil rights advocate, Mr. Hawes was a life member of the NAACP, serving
656 as president of his local chapter for many years, and was the first African American member
657 of Lincoln County Board of Education; and

658 WHEREAS, Mr. Hawes was a charter member of Twilight Improvement, Inc.; co-founder,
659 chief executive officer, and president of Twilight Sewing Plant, Inc; and a member of the
660 Northeast Georgia Leadership Council and American Legion Post 597; and

661 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Hawes was a member of Ebenezer Baptist
662 Church, where he served as a deacon for 52 years, a Sunday school teacher for more than 60
663 years, and assistant church clerk; and

664 WHEREAS, he served as assistant secretary of the Columbia Sunday School Convention and
665 president of the Lincoln County Sunday School Union; and

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

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PART XXXIV

670 WHEREAS, Mr. Roy William Beaver was born on July 9, 1927, the beloved son of R.A.
671 "Rufus" and Etta Mae Beaver; and

672 WHEREAS, a member of the VFW Blue Ridge Chapter, Mr. Beaver served as a guardian
673 of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States military, valiantly and
674 courageously defending his fellow citizens during World War II and the Korean War; and

675 WHEREAS, he dedicated his career to Levi Strauss & Co. and diligently and conscientiously
676 devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his
677 community and state; and

678 WHEREAS, Mr. Beaver served on the Fannin County Board of Commissioners and Fannin
679 County Board of Education and was a past master of the Masonic Lodge Blue Ridge Chapter
680 #67; and

681 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Patsy Ruth Davenport Beaver for 61
682 wonderful years, and was blessed with two remarkable children, Michael and Sharon, three
683 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren; and

684 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Beaver was an active member of O'Zion
685 Baptist Church, where he served as secretary and treasurer; and

686 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
687 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his
688 memory.

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PART XXXV

690 WHEREAS, James C. Moore was born in Coffee County in 1930; and

691 WHEREAS, he graduated from Nicholls High School, from South Georgia College, and
692 Georgia Southern College (known as Georgia Teachers College at the time); and

693 WHEREAS, he served in the United States Air Force from 1951 until 1953, rising to the rank
694 of Staff Sergeant; and

695 WHEREAS, he taught and coached in the Coffee County School System for 13 years,
696 serving at West Green (2), Nicholls (5), Douglas Junior High (2), and Coffee High (4); and

697 WHEREAS, he also served as Principal of West Green Elementary for one year, Assistant
698 Superintendent for one year, and as Superintendent of Schools for nine years; and

699 WHEREAS, from 1978-1989, he served in the General Assembly representing Coffee and
700 Atkinson Counties. During this period, he became close friends with the DOT
701 Commissioner, Tom Moreland, and initiated many highway projects that are still providing
702 benefits today. These projects included: the four-laning of U.S. Highway 441 from Douglas
703 to Pearson; the four-laning and adding passing lanes from downtown Douglas to the present
704 high school and to Broxton; the completion of the perimeter road around Douglas, which Mr.
705 Moreland said at the dedication that Douglas was only the third city in Georgia to have a
706 perimeter road behind Atlanta and Athens; the paving of streets in Coffee and Touchton
707 Woods subdivisions; the paving of all roads to churches in Coffee County; the four-laning
708 of SR 158 from Peterson Avenue to Baker Highway (a must for the Wal-Mart Distribution
709 Center to locate in Douglas); and adding wider truck access on the perimeter road for
710 Wal-Mart; and

711 WHEREAS, while in the General Assembly, James C. Moore served on the Ways and
712 Means, Education, Agriculture, Natural Resources, and QBE Study Committees; and

713 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Legislative Council to the Southern Regional Education
714 Board (SREB) for five years; and

715 WHEREAS, James C. Moore sponsored legislation to create the Department of Adult and
716 Technical Education; and

717 WHEREAS, he resigned from the General Assembly in 1989 to become the Vice-President
718 for Economic Development at Altamaha Technical College in Jesup and served in that
719 position from 1989 until 1992; and

720 WHEREAS, since he grew up in Coffee County, attended school in Coffee County, returned
721 to Coffee County to live and work as an educator and farmer, and is a landowner and was a
722 former business owner in Douglas, it is only proper and fitting that a lasting tribute
723 recognizing the contributions of James C. Moore to the people of Coffee County be
724 established.

725 **PART XXXVI**

726 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
727 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Trooper James David Young on May 4, 1975;
728 and

729 WHEREAS, a native of Fitzgerald, Georgia, Trooper Young attended the 41st Trooper
730 School and was assigned to service at Post 30 in Cordele, Georgia; and

731 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short when he was killed
732 by a prisoner while working with the Cordele Police Department; and

733 WHEREAS, Trooper Young exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty,
734 fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

735 **PART XXXVII**

736 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
737 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Trooper John Dixon Morris on May 18, 1982;
738 and

739 WHEREAS, a native of Dublin, Georgia, Trooper Morris attended the 54th Trooper School
740 and was assigned to service at Post 8 in Madison, Georgia; and

741 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short after he was killed
742 in a patrol car crash on Atlanta Highway in Monroe, Georgia; and

743 WHEREAS, Trooper Morris exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty,
744 fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

745 **PART XXXVIII**

746 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
747 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Trooper Mack Allen Page on June 22, 1968;
748 and

749 WHEREAS, a native of Ellijay, Georgia, Trooper Page attended the 26th Trooper School and
750 was assigned to service with Post 27 in Blue Ridge, Georgia; and

751 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short after a patrol car
752 crash on State Route 2 in Union County; and

753 WHEREAS, Trooper Page exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine
754 leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

755 **PART XXXIX**

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

759 WHEREAS, Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion
760 Rodgers were influential Tuskegee Airmen who valiantly and courageously served this
761 nation during World War II and were born in or spent years during their childhood in
762 Laurens County, Georgia; and

763 WHEREAS, a native of Laurens County, Major Herndon Cummings enlisted in the United
764 States Air Corps on June 25, 1942, and was assigned to the 447th Bomber Group with whom
765 he served for four years;

766 WHEREAS, upon completion of his service with the Air Corps, Major Cummings enlisted
767 with the United States Air Force Reserve and dedicated 20 years of additional service to the
768 nation; and

769 WHEREAS, Colonel Marion Rodgers was raised in Dublin, Georgia, and served with an
770 anti-aircraft artillery unit and as a radio operator prior to attending flight school; and

771 WHEREAS, Colonel Rodgers was assigned to the 99th Fighter Squadron, the "Red Tails,"
772 and dedicated 22 years to the Air Force before working in the civil service field for 17 years;
773 and

774 WHEREAS, Colonel Rodgers spent a year working for N.A.S.A. as a program manager on
775 the mission for Apollo 13 and was prominent in the development of electronics and
776 communications procedures with N.O.R.A.D.; and

777 WHEREAS, Colonel John Whitehead spent several years during his youth in Laurens
778 County and flew several missions over Europe during World War II; and

779 WHEREAS, known as "Mr. Death" by his fellow pilots, Colonel Whitehead was the first
 780 African American test pilot for the Air Force and during his 30 year career spent more than
 781 9,500 hours in the air; and

782 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
 783 these distinguished Georgians be appropriately recognized with the naming of an interchange
 784 in their honor.

785 **PART XL**

786 WHEREAS, MSG Reginald S. Carter, Sr., was recognized by the citizens of this state for the
 787 vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
 788 citizens of Georgia; and

789 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
 790 States Armed Forces for over 25 years during World War II and the Vietnam War; and

791 WHEREAS, MSG Carter diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his
 792 time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
 793 dramatically by his superlative service with the Taylor County Board of Education and the
 794 Tax Assessors Board; and

795 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
 796 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

797 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this
 798 distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

799 **PART XLI**

800 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Kelso C. Horne served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and
 801 liberty as a second lieutenant in the 82nd Airborne Division during World War II; and

802 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Horne was a resident of Dublin, Georgia, and graced the cover of
 803 *LIFE* magazine on August 14, 1944, as a representation of the one of thousands of men who
 804 were fighting to win the battle for France; and

805 WHEREAS, at 2:06 A.M. on June 6, 1944, Lieutenant Horne leapt from his transport plane
 806 and parachuted into Normandy; and

807 WHEREAS, after weeks of fighting to gain ground against the enemy, Lieutenant Horne was
808 at the head of an infantry column that was advancing on a German-held town when he was
809 stopped by a staff car and asked to be photographed; and

810 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Horne was injured by shellfire in July 1944, and as he healed from
811 his injuries in England he saw his photo on the cover of *LIFE* magazine; and

812 WHEREAS, after he returned home from the war, Lieutenant Horne continued to serve his
813 country with the United States Postal Service; and

814 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that a lasting tribute to Lieutenant Horne's memory
815 and life of service to his country be established.

816

PART XLII

817 WHEREAS, Mr. Loyd Strickland has long been recognized for the vital role that he played
818 in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

819 WHEREAS, Mr. Strickland served as a member of the Department of Transportation Board
820 in the 1960s, where his leadership and influence were instrumental in the development of
821 Interstate 985 which provided a gateway to Gainesville State College and Lanier Technical
822 College; and

823 WHEREAS, his business acumen was widely recognized as the owner and founder of
824 Chestnut Mountain Hatchery, which later became Crystal Farms, a major player in the
825 poultry industry; and

826 WHEREAS, Mr. Strickland's generosity and philanthropy were evident as an early supporter
827 of Eagle Ranch, a thriving home for boys and girls; and

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

831 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
832 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his
833 memory.

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PART XLIII

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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XLIV

857 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
858 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that State Route 400 in Dawson and Lumpkin counties is
859 dedicated as the Bill T. Hardman Hospitality Highway.

860 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 341
861 and Mission Ridge Road in Walker County is dedicated as the E-4 Roger Dorsey, United
862 States Navy, Memorial Intersection.

863 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of new Cleveland Bypass
864 from SR11/US129 at Donald E. Thurmond Drive extending northwest to SR11/US129 at
865 Hulsey Road is dedicated as the Appalachian Parkway.

866 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 306 from
867 GA 400 to State Route 53 in Forsyth County is dedicated as the Frank L. Danchetz Highway.

868 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 8/North
869 Avenue over the Interstate 75/Interstate 85 Connector in Fulton County is dedicated as the
870 Paul V. Liles, Jr., Bridge.

871 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on the MARTA Indian
872 Creek Station exit ramp to Interstate 285 southbound in DeKalb County is dedicated as the
873 Senator Lawrence (Bud) Stumbaugh Bridge.

874 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the new flyover ramp on Interstate
875 85 at Georgia 400 is dedicated as the Captain Herb Emory Flyover Ramp.

876 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Highway 78 and
877 Rosebud Road in Gwinnett County is dedicated as Brooks-Foster Crossing.

878 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 9 in Fulton County from
879 its intersection with Peachtree Street to 14th Street is dedicated as the Gladys Knight
880 Highway.

881 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Interstate 20 over
882 Joseph E. Lowery Boulevard in Fulton County is dedicated as the Willie A. Watkins Bridge.

883 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. Highway 301
884 beginning at the Georgia and South Carolina state line in Screven County through Bulloch,
885 Evans, Tattnall, Long, Wayne, and Brantley counties to the Florida state line in Charlton
886 County is dedicated as the Georgia Grown Trail: 301.

887 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 24 in Jefferson County
888 from its intersection with U.S. Highway 1 on the Louisville Bypass to the Burke County line
889 is dedicated as the Ozzie M. Hannah Memorial Highway.

890 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring
891 military veterans and dedicates the portion of Georgia Highway 99 from U.S. Highway 17
892 in Eulonia to U.S. Highway 17 in Darien as Veterans Memorial Highway.

893 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of GA 81 and GA 78
894 in Walton County is dedicated as the Ethan Rutledge Memorial Intersection.

895 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 515 over
896 Cherry Log Street in Gilmer County is dedicated as the J. H. "Bud" Holloway Memorial
897 Bridge.

898 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 385/Old
899 Highway 441 over Camp Creek in Habersham County is dedicated as the Johnny Mize
900 Memorial Bridge.

901 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 177 at mile
902 marker 16 in Ware County is dedicated as the Corporal Russell S. King Memorial Bridge.

903 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Ga 113 over Richland
904 Creek west of downtown Cartersville in Bartow County is dedicated as the Hoyt D. "Slick"
905 Tatum Memorial Bridge.

906 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that Ga. 133 from its intersection at
907 Doughit Ferry Road to Euharlee (Chulio) Road west of downtown Cartersville in Bartow
908 County is dedicated as the Henry C. Floyd Memorial Highway.

909 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that Ga. 272 from Ga. 68 to Ga. 24 in
910 Washington County is dedicated as the Jimmy B. Lord Highway.

911 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring
912 disabled American veterans and dedicates the portion of Interstate 285 beginning east of
913 Interstate 85 south of Atlanta to the top end of Interstate 75 north of Atlanta in Cobb,
914 DeKalb, and Fulton counties as the Disabled American Veterans Highway.

915 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on US 280 over the Oconee
916 River in Wheeler County is dedicated as the Lance Corporal Melvin Poole Memorial Bridge.

917 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that Ga. 341 in Monroe County from the
918 Lamar County line to the Crawford County line is dedicated as the Michael Andrew Norris
919 Memorial Highway.

920 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the double bridge on East and West
921 bound State Route 96 over Beechwood Swamp in Taylor County is dedicated as the Private
922 John P. Dion Memorial Bridge.

923 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 305 from its intersection
924 with State Route 56 to the intersection of Old Wadley Road near the border of the city of
925 Midvale in Burke County is dedicated as the Samuel L. Cummings Highway.

926 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 82 at
927 Interstate 85 in Jackson County is dedicated as the Staff Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead
928 Memorial Bridge.

929 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 400 in Dawson and
930 Lumpkin counties is dedicated as the Bill T. Hardman Hospitality Highway.

931 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 16 over
932 Rooty Creek in Putnam County is dedicated as the William Love Walton Bridge.

933 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 302 in Decatur County
934 from its intersection with State Route 97 to the Florida state line is dedicated as the Pauline
935 Spearman Brinkley Highway.

936 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. 78/State Route 10
937 Business over the Middle Oconee River in Clarke County is dedicated as the Officer Buddy
938 Christian Memorial Bridge.

939 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 76 at
940 milepost 3.19 in Berrien County is dedicated as the 1st LT James H. Perry "Uncle Jim"
941 Memorial Bridge.

942 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Lee Road over Interstate
943 20 in Douglas County is dedicated as the Captain Herb Emory Memorial Bridge.

944 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 79 over
945 Soap Creek in Lincoln County is dedicated as the Wayne J. Hawes Memorial Bridge.

946 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 515
947 and Loving Road in Fannin County is dedicated as the Roy William Beaver Intersection.

948 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the members of this body recognize
949 the outstanding contributions of James C. Moore and dedicate the portion of U.S. 221 North
950 from the city limits of Douglas to the West Green city limits as the James C. Moore
951 Memorial Highway.

952 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 107 from the
953 eastern city limit of Fitzgerald to the intersection with Eastside Church Road is dedicated as
954 the Trooper James David Young Memorial Highway.

955 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of US 441/GA 24 from
956 the northern city limit of Eatonton to the southern city limit of Madison is dedicated as the
957 Trooper John Dixon Morris Memorial Highway.

958 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 52 from its
959 intersection with Rackley Road to the Dawson County line is dedicated as the Trooper Mack
960 Allen Page Memorial Highway.

961 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. Route 80 at
962 U.S. 441 Bypass in Laurens County is dedicated as the Tuskegee Airmen Major Herndon
963 Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion Rodgers Interchange.

964 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the southbound bridge on State Route
965 3 over Cedar Creek in Taylor County is dedicated as the MSG Reginald S. Carter, Sr.,
966 Memorial Bridge.

967 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. Route 441/State
968 Route 117 in Laurens County from State Route 19 to U.S. Route 80 is dedicated as the
969 Lieutenant Kelso Horne Memorial Highway.

970 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange at Interstate 20 and
971 State Route 44 in Greene County is dedicated the Honorable Mickey Channell Interchange.

972 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 75 from the
973 Georgia/Tennessee state line to the Georgia/Florida state line is dedicated as the Purple Heart
974 Highway.

975 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Interstate 985 and
976 Mundy Mill Road is dedicated as the Loyd Strickland Memorial Intersection.

977 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. 280 over the
978 Oconee River in Montgomery County is dedicated as the Veterans Memorial Bridge.

979 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 96 over
980 Interstate 75 in Peach County is dedicated as the John David Duke Lane, Sr., Memorial
981 Bridge.

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

985 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
986 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
987 Department of Transportation; Mr. Frank L. Danchetz; Mr. Paul V. Liles, Jr.; Senator
988 Lawrence (Bud) Stumbaugh; Mrs. Runell "Nell" Brooks Foster; Ms. Gladys Maria Knight;
989 Mr. Willie A. Watkins; Mr. Jimmy B. Lord; Mr. Samuel L. Cummings; and the family of Mr.
990 Bill T. Hardman; E-4 Roger Dorsey; Captain Herbert "Herb" Lee Emory; Mr. Ozzie M.
991 Hannah; Ethan Rutledge; Mr. James Howard "Bud" Holloway, Jr.; Mr. John Robert "Johnny"
992 Mize; Corporal Russell S. King; Mr. Hoyt D. "Slick" Tatum; Mr. Henry Carlton Floyd;
993 Lance Corporal Melvin Poole; Mr. Michael Andrew Norris; Private John P. Dion; Staff
994 Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead; Mr. William Love Walton; Mrs. Pauline Spearman Brinkley;
995 Officer Elmer B. "Buddy" Christian; Mr. James Henning Perry; Mr. Wayne J. Hawes; Mr.
996 Roy William Beaver; James C. Moore; Trooper James David Young; Trooper John Dixon
997 Morris; Trooper Mack Allen Page; Tuskegee Airmen Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel
998 John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion Rodgers; MSG Reginald S. Carter, Sr.; Lieutenant
999 Kelso C. Horne; Mr. Loyd Strickland; and Mr. John David Duke Lane, Sr.