

Senate Resolution 863

By: Senator Gooch of the 51st

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing United States military veterans of the Vietnam War and dedicating a bridge in  
2 their honor; 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, veterans of the Vietnam War demonstrated a deep personal commitment to  
7 protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort  
8 to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

9 WHEREAS, these brave men and women served as guardians of this nation's freedom and  
10 liberty and have diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in  
11 order to serve their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

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

15 WHEREAS, these individuals embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in  
16 something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the  
17 outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished  
18 Americans be honored appropriately.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL  
20 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on Highway 129 over Ivy Log Creek in  
21 Blairsville is dedicated as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
23 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Vietnam Veterans Memorial  
24 Bridge.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
26 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Department  
27 of Transportation.