

Senate Resolution 314

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Cowser of the 46th, Tate of the 38th, Miller of the 49th and Harper of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Mr. Alex Cooley and Mr. Peter Conlon and dedicating a road in their honor;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Alex Cooley and Mr. Peter Conlon have long been recognized for their
4 influence in the music industry and the marks they have made upon the lives of countless
5 musicians; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Cooley and Mr. Conlon joined together in 1982 to create Concert/Southern
7 Promotions, which grew into one of the country's top ten concert promotion firms, producing
8 more than 300 shows per year and running iconic Atlanta music venues such as the
9 Tabernacle, the Cotton Club, and Coca-Cola Roxy; and

10 WHEREAS, in the late 1980's, the duo changed their company name to Alex Cooley/Peter
11 Conlon Presents and produced the Chastain Park Summer Concert Series that featured James
12 Taylor, Steve Winwood, Don Henley, Alicia Keys, Chicago, Whitney Houston, and many
13 other world famous artists; and

14 WHEREAS, in 1994, the two founded the Music Midtown Festival, which has grown to an
15 internationally recognized success, attracting 300,000 music fans and more than 100 major
16 and up-and-coming acts representing all genres of music on the festival's outdoor stages; and

17 WHEREAS, since selling their company in 1997, Mr. Cooley and Mr. Conlon have remained
18 active in the community and music industry, with Mr. Cooley representing Georgia at the
19 G-8 Summit in 2004 and serving on the Board of Governors for the Georgia Chapter of the
20 National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences, while Mr. Conlon serves on the
21 Governor's Film and Movie Advisory Commission, as chairman of the Mayor's Music
22 Advisory Commission, and as an active board director for Camp Sunshine; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that these remarkable and distinguished
24 Georgians be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in their honor.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
26 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 11/US 41 from the State Route
27 247 Connector North to State Route 49 in Peach County is dedicated as the Cooley-Conlon
28 Highway.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
30 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Cooley-Conlon Highway.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Mr. Alex Cooley
33 and Mr. Peter Conlon and to the Department of Transportation.