

## House Resolution 1387

By: Representatives Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>, Tankersley of the 160<sup>th</sup>, and Parrish of the 158<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. C. Arthur Howard, Jr., and dedicating a road in his memory; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. C. Arthur Howard, Jr., was born in Statesboro, Georgia, on August 18,  
4 1941, the beloved son of Claude Arthur Howard, Sr., and Cecille Brannen Howard; and

5 WHEREAS, a Statesboro High School graduate, Mr. Howard attended the University of  
6 Georgia and graduated from Georgia Southern College before joining his father in 1962 in  
7 the family business, Claude Howard Lumber, a business that dates back to 1898 and which  
8 continues to this date; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard married the love of his life, Carol Huggins Howard, in 1963, and  
10 he and Carol lived a loving and happy life as husband and wife for 56 years until his passing  
11 on April 29, 2019; and

12 WHEREAS, he was blessed with two remarkable sons, five fabulous grandchildren, and one  
13 wonderful great-grandchild, all of whom, along with their community, witnessed Mr.  
14 Howard's and Carol's Fruits of the Spirit that a lifetime commitment of love can bring; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard was a charter member of Pittman Park United Methodist Church,  
16 serving as a faithful servant to his church, his fellowship Sunday school class, and God, all  
17 by and through the power and strength that was given to him by God through Jesus Christ  
18 and the Holy Spirit that dwelled within him; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard used the organizational and leadership talents and gifts given to  
20 him by God to better his community and fellow man by serving on numerous community  
21 boards that served several constituents in the Ogeechee River area, including, the Joseph  
22 Home for Boys, the local hospital authority, and Ogeechee Area Hospice; and

23 WHEREAS, in recognition of Mr. Howard's contributions to his community, he was the  
24 recipient of three Deen Day Smith Awards, Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year in 1988,  
25 and Business Leader of the Year in 1995; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard loved and appreciated the beautiful creation of the outdoors given  
27 by God, taking great pride in the stewardship obligations bestowed upon us and which were  
28 particularly seen in his love for his family farm in Scarboro, Georgia, and family owned land  
29 in Screven County, Georgia; and

30 WHEREAS, Mr. Howard was a dedicated and devoted son, husband, father, grandfather, and  
31 friend who selflessly gave the best of himself to others and it is abundantly fitting and proper  
32 that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating  
33 a road in his memory.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL  
35 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 17 from Rocky Ford to Scarboro  
36 in Screven County is dedicated as the C. Arthur Howard, Jr., Highway.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
38 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the C. Arthur Howard, Jr.,  
39 Highway.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
41 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
42 family of Mr. C. Arthur Howard, Jr., and to the Department of Transportation.