

House Resolution 574

By: Representative Jones of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the lives of Reverend Joseph Jones, Sr., and Darnella Jones; dedicating a bridge
2 in their memory; repealing a certain resolution; repealing conflicting laws; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Reverend Joseph Jones, Sr., was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on March 6, 1926,
5 the third of the nine children of Ernest and Carrie Jones; and

6 WHEREAS, educated in the Atlanta Public School System, Reverend Jones served as a
7 guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy and was honorably
8 discharged as Seaman First Class, V-6, on November 28, 1945; and

9 WHEREAS, in 1945, he was united in marriage to Darnella Shell and to their loving union
10 were born seven children; and

11 WHEREAS, he was licensed as a minister of the Gospel while a member of Norwood
12 Tabernacle Baptist Church; and

13 WHEREAS, he worked at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company for over 35 years and
14 served as a business representative for Machinist Local #709; and

15 WHEREAS, Reverend Jones was active in his community as the PTA president of Clara
16 Maxwell Pitts Elementary School and was a member of Ashlar Smooth Masons #574; and

17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that these remarkable and distinguished
18 Georgians be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in their memory.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that:

21 (1) The bridge on State Route 70 at Interstate 285 in Fulton County is dedicated as the
22 Rev. Joseph Jones, Sr., and Darnella Jones Memorial Bridge;

23 (2) The Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain
24 appropriate signs dedicating the Rev. Joseph Jones, Sr., and Darnella Jones Memorial
25 Bridge and remove any signs relating to previous dedications at this location;

26 (3) Part IV of House Resolution 1041, approved February 10, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 8),
27 is hereby repealed;

28 (4) The Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to make
29 appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Reverend
30 Joseph Jones, Sr., and Darnella Jones and to the Department of Transportation; and

31 (5) All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this resolution are repealed.