

House Resolution 385

By: Representative Hagan of the 156th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Mr. R.T. Stanley, Jr., and dedicating a road in his honor; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. R.T. Stanley, Jr., was born in 1943 to Louise Usher Stanley and Rodney
3 Taylor Stanley, Sr.; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Stanley and his father grew Vidalia onions together in the 1980s, the
5 pivotal period when Georgia's now-famous sweet onion began to receive widespread
6 recognition; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was among the core group of onion growers who fought to attain legal status
8 for the sweet onion, clearly defined the growing area, and advocated for the Vidalia onion
9 to be named Georgia's official state vegetable; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Stanley has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades,
11 including being named the 2007 Grower of the Year by the Vidalia Onion Committee; and
- 12 WHEREAS, his high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens and the
13 devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrates to his family and friends are admired
14 by others; and

15 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
16 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 178 from Highway 56 to Bud
19 Clifton Road in Toombs County is dedicated as the R.T. Stanley, Jr. Highway.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
21 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the R.T. Stanley, Jr. Highway.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
23 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to
24 Mr. R.T. Stanley, Jr., and to the Department of Transportation.