

House Resolution 1052 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representative Cheokas of the 138th

A RESOLUTION

1 Dedicating certain portions of the state highway system; and for other purposes.

2 **PART I**

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas William Poole was born on December 24, 1991, in Ellaville,
4 Georgia, the beloved son of Donnie and Deborah Poole; and

5 WHEREAS, a lifetime resident of Schley County, Mr. Poole grew up in his family's home
6 on Poole Road which stands as the oldest occupied home in the county; and

7 WHEREAS, he worked as a heating and air technician and was a faithful member of Ellaville
8 Baptist Church; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Poole's life was tragically cut short on June 2, 2013, when he was involved
10 in a fatal vehicle crash; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Poole was known to be a kind and generous man by all who had the fortune
12 of encountering him; and

13 WHEREAS, throughout his life, he continuously demonstrated a deep concern and
14 compassion for others, going above and beyond to ensure the happiness, safety, and care for
15 both friends and strangers; and

16 WHEREAS, an avid outdoorsman, Mr. Poole was passionate about hunting and fishing and
17 spent countless hours during his youth at Buck Creek near his family home; and

18 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
19 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
20 family and friends were admired by others; and

21 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
22 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
23 made this world a better place in which to live; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
25 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

26 **PART II**

27 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
28 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
29 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

30 WHEREAS, Mr. Richard John Chambers, Sr., served as a guardian of this nation's freedom
31 and liberty with the United States Air Force; and

32 WHEREAS, Mr. Chambers was a career educator in Banks and Jackson counties, where his
33 work uplifted the lives of countless students; and

34 WHEREAS, he was an avid supporter of community sustainment and county beautification
35 and devoted countless hours of his time, talent, and energy to organizations such as the
36 Banks County Historical Society, Commerce Lions Club, and Habitat for Humanity; and

37 WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Chambers played a large role in maintaining the
38 historical integrity of Banks County through the compilation and publishing of the *History*
39 *of Banks County*; and

40 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
41 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his
42 memory.

43 **PART III**

44 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
45 with the passing of Dr. Delores Felder on September 18, 2014; and

46 WHEREAS, Dr. Felder was born on April 11, 1949, in Marshallville, Georgia, a beloved
47 daughter of Arthur Felder II and Carrie Lou Murph Felder; and

48 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she was an active member of Saint James
49 Christian Methodist Episcopal Church and active in several community organizations; and

50 WHEREAS, she received her Bachelor of Science and master's degrees from Fort Valley
51 State College and later received her doctoral degree from Nova Southern University in Fort
52 Lauderdale, Florida; and

53 WHEREAS, Dr. Felder taught in the Macon County School System from 1971 until 1981,
54 where she served as Assistant Administrator with the Macon County Board of Education and
55 as principal of the new Macon County Elementary School and the D.F. Douglass Alternative
56 Center before retiring in 2003; and

57 WHEREAS, her love for her city and others led her to be elected to the city council, where
58 her long service included the position of Mayor Pro Tem; and

59 WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern
60 for her fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to
61 her family and friends were admired by others; and

62 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
63 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life,
64 she made this world a better place in which to live; and

65 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, Dr. Felder will long be remembered for
66 her love of family and friendship, and this loyal sister, aunt, educator, and friend will be
67 missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing her; and

68 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
69 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in her memory.

70 **PART IV**

71 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
72 with the passing of Mr. William Lee Brown on September 18, 2014; and

73 WHEREAS, Mr. Brown was born on May 27, 1940; and

74 WHEREAS, Mr. Brown was united in love and marriage to Debra Cross Brown and was
75 blessed with five remarkable children, Howard, Kathryn Elizabeth, Kimberly Michele, Mary
76 Margaret, and Rachel Suzanne, and 11 wonderful grandchildren, William DeWitt, Kaitlin
77 Elizabeth, Sarah Elizabeth, Julia Caroline, William Higdon, Mary Rachel, Joseph Mason,
78 William Peyton, Isabelle Grace, Gabrielle Rose, and Houston Randolph; and

79 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
80 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
81 family and friends were admired by others; and

82 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
83 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
84 made this world a better place in which to live; and

85 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Brown will long be remembered for
86 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal gentleman and friend will be missed by all
87 who had the great fortune of knowing him; and

88 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
89 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

90 **PART V**

91 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
92 citizens with the passing of Mr. Solomon T. "Sol" Dover on February 14, 1999; and

93 WHEREAS, a native of Bartow County, Mr. Dover acquired his family's farm located on
94 Georgia Highway 113 in 1939, and later gifted portions of his land to the county for
95 additions to the highway; and

96 WHEREAS, Mr. Dover was united in love and marriage to Ruby Lee Pell Dover, a union
97 which brought them nine children, all of whom were raised on the family farm and five of
98 whom continue to maintain homes on the farm to date; and

99 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Dover served as treasurer and Sunday
100 school superintendent for Raccoon Creek Church and was instrumental in helping the church
101 accomplish numerous building additions; and

102 WHEREAS, Mr. Dover was a hard-working, passionate leader of his community, where he
103 donated his time to serve as trustee for the Stilesboro School; and

104 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this
105 distinguished Georgian be recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

106 **PART VI**

107 WHEREAS, Mr. Louie Morris was known for his leadership and love of Hart County,
108 Georgia, during the early 1900s; and

109 WHEREAS, an avid journalist, Mr. Morris was owner and editor of the *Hartwell Sun* and
110 served as president of the Georgia Press Association and co-chairman of the Georgia Press
111 Institute; and

112 WHEREAS, his guidance and civic leadership were instrumental to Hart County during his
113 time as a member of the Hartwell City Council; and

114 WHEREAS, Mr. Morris served on the staff of Georgia Governors Richard Russell, Jr., and
115 Ellis Arnall; and

116 WHEREAS, he began a radio station in Hartwell, *WKLY*, and was president of the Hartwell
117 Railway Company; and

118 WHEREAS, Mr. Morris contributed unceasing efforts toward the construction of what is
119 now known as the Hartwell Dam, a project that was unrealized at the time of his death on
120 May 10, 1955; and

121 WHEREAS, on October 11, 1940, the Highway Departments of South Carolina and Georgia,
122 in cooperation with the United States Bureau of Public Roads, erected a monument
123 dedicating the bridge over the Savannah River in honor of his unyielding commitment; and

124 WHEREAS, the stone monument dedicating the Louie Morris Bridge was relocated in 1958
125 after the river flooded the bridge and caused damage that necessitated the building of a new
126 bridge; and

127 WHEREAS, an official Georgia dedication sign does not exist at what is known as the Louie
128 Morris Bridge, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this body recognizes this

129 remarkable and distinguished Georgian by erecting an official Georgia bridge dedication
130 marker.

131 **PART VII**

132 WHEREAS, Robert and Ardena Beasley had unimpeachable reputations for integrity,
133 intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example they made of their lives, they made
134 this world a better place in which to live; and

135 WHEREAS, a couple with deep and abiding faith, the Beasleys were active members of
136 Christian Fellowship Community Church; and

137 WHEREAS, they were united in love and marriage and blessed with eight remarkable
138 children, Norvie L. Beasley, Sr.; Barbara J. Tinsley; Charles E. Beasley; Robert L. Beasley,
139 Jr.; Beverly D. Rollins; Carl P. Beasley; Roberta Ann Beasley; and Representative Sharon
140 Beasley-Teague; and

141 WHEREAS, the Beasleys were active community leaders, volunteering their time, talents,
142 and energy to organizations such as SCLC in Atlanta, Christian Ministers Alliance, and the
143 Richard James Teague Memorial Foundation for Sickle Cell Research; and

144 WHEREAS, they gave inspiration to many through their high ideals, morals, and deep
145 concern for their fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding they
146 demonstrated to their family and friends were admired by others; and

147 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body honor the lives
148 of these distinguished Georgians by dedicating a bridge in their memory.

149 **PART VIII**

150 WHEREAS, Mr. William Penn "Mr. Bill" Walker, Sr., was widely recognized for the vital
151 role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
152 citizens of Georgia; and

153 WHEREAS, Mr. Walker took up residence near the intersection of State Route 125 and State
154 Route 122 at the meeting point of Lowndes, Berrien, and Lanier counties in 1954; and

155 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
156 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced

157 dramatically by his superlative service with the Atlanta Police Department for nearly 20
158 years; and

159 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruby Herndon Walker was by Mr. Walker's side, working and supporting
160 him in all his endeavors; and

161 WHEREAS, unofficially known by local peace officers as "Walker's Crossing," the
162 intersection at their home and well-known lounge was a long-time meeting place for police
163 officers to exchange prisoners to transport them across county lines; and

164 WHEREAS, Mr. Walker was known by the county sheriff departments of Lowndes, Berrien,
165 and Lanier counties as a person who would assist them with any of their needs; and

166 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished couple
167 be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in their memory.

168 **PART IX**

169 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
170 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
171 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

172 WHEREAS, United States military veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment
173 to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort
174 to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

175 WHEREAS, they have served as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty and have
176 diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in order to serve
177 their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

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

181 WHEREAS, veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something
182 greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding
183 accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored
184 appropriately.

185 **PART X**

186 WHEREAS, Mr. Joel Jackson Parrish was born in Lowndes County on September 11, 1834,
187 the beloved eldest son of Robert N. and Nancy McCranie Parrish, and passed away in Cook
188 County on October 14, 1922; and

189 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty as 3rd Sergeant in
190 Company "G" of the 29th Georgia Infantry, as 2nd Lieutenant of Company "D," and as First
191 Lieutenant of Company "K"; and

192 WHEREAS, Mr. Parrish was elected Clerk of the Superior Court of Berrien County, served
193 as County Surveyor for Berrien County, and was Justice of the Peace in the 1145th District;
194 and

195 WHEREAS, he was responsible for the naming of the town of Adel and also served as the
196 town's first postmaster; and

197 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
198 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

199 **PART XI**

200 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
201 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
202 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

203 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Victor A. Anderson demonstrated a deep personal
204 commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety
205 and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

206 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
207 States Army and Army National Guard for 22 years and was killed in action while serving
208 in Iraq; and

209 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Anderson's commendations include the Bronze Star, Purple
210 Heart, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement
211 Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal,
212 National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia
213 Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal,

214 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Armed Forces
215 Reserve Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Army
216 Overseas Service Ribbon, United Nations Medal, NATO Medal-Former Republic of
217 Yugoslavia, Kuwait Liberation Medal-Saudi Arabia, Kuwait Liberation Medal-Kuwait,
218 Georgia Special Operations Ribbon, and Georgia State Active Duty Ribbon; and

219 WHEREAS, he served as a police officer and deputy sheriff in his hometown of Ellaville and
220 as a deputy sheriff in Sumter County; and

221 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Anderson embodied the spirit of service, willing to find
222 meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this
223 remarkable and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in
224 his memory.

225 **PART XII**

226 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
227 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
228 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

229 WHEREAS, current and former members of the United States military have demonstrated
230 a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own
231 personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

232 WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is awarded to members of the armed forces who are wounded
233 by an instrument of war in the hands of the enemy and posthumously to the next of kin in the
234 name of those who are killed in action or die of wounds received in action; and

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

238 WHEREAS, it is important that Purple Heart recipients are thanked for their selfless service
239 to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and
240 ideals of the United States; and

241 WHEREAS, these individuals embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in
242 something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the

243 outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished
244 Americans be honored appropriately.

245 **PART XIII**

246 WHEREAS, Mr. Martin Luther King, Sr., the beloved son of James and Delia Linsey King,
247 was born Michael King in 1899 in a sharecropper's cabin in Stockbridge, Georgia; and

248 WHEREAS, affectionately known as "Daddy King," Mr. King was the father of Nobel Peace
249 Prize recipient Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

250 WHEREAS, Mr. King attended the Stockbridge Rosenwald School and was licensed as a
251 preacher at the age of 15, preaching his first sermon at Floyd Chapel Baptist Church; and

252 WHEREAS, in 1934, Mr. Martin changed his name and that of his son to Martin Luther and
253 encouraged his son to become active in the Civil Rights Movement; and

254 WHEREAS, Mr. King was a major influence on his son's decision to enter the ministry and
255 the guidance he provided to Martin Luther King, Jr., as a child and young adult had an
256 everlasting impact on the man he became; and

257 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
258 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

259 **PART XIV**

260 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting that Confederate General James Longstreet be
261 recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

262 **PART XV**

263 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
264 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
265 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

266 WHEREAS, Mr. Mack Fitzgerald served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty
267 with the United States Air Force, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans
268 during World War II; and

269 WHEREAS, Mr. Fitzgerald received training as a flight engineer and gunner aboard a B-24
270 Liberator; and

271 WHEREAS, he was a member of "Operation Tidal Wave," with the mission of flying at low
272 altitudes over Ploiesti, Romania, in order to destroy the enemy force's oil refineries; and

273 WHEREAS, after training for the low-level bombing mission in the Sahara Desert, Mr.
274 Fitzgerald's bomber was one of 178 aircraft in what would become known as "Black
275 Sunday," marking the worst single-day loss in the war; and

276 WHEREAS, during the mission, Mr. Fitzgerald's aircraft was hit by enemy fire and lost two
277 engines, forcing an emergency landing in an open field; and

278 WHEREAS, he was a prisoner of war for 13 months along with over 100 other Americans;
279 and

280 WHEREAS, he retired from the military after 25 years of dedicated and selfless service and
281 was recognized with numerous medals, including the Purple Heart, Distinguished Flying
282 Cross, Air Medal, and the POW Medal; and

283 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
284 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his
285 honor.

286 **PART XVI**

287 WHEREAS, Reverend Joe E. Edwards has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the
288 Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
289 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

290 WHEREAS, Reverend Edwards is a person of vision and action and is known throughout the
291 Church of God denomination as a powerful preacher, sensitive to the Holy Spirit in bringing
292 anointed messages from God; and

293 WHEREAS, educated at Lee College and the Church of God School of Theology, Reverend
294 Edwards was called by the Lord 24 years ago to lead the congregation of Cartersville Church
295 of God at Liberty Square; and

296 WHEREAS, under the esteemed leadership of Reverend Edwards, the Cartersville Church
297 of God at Liberty Square has enriched the community with its worship center, educational
298 facilities, Family Life Center, Harvest House, Excel Christian Academy, and the Cartersville
299 Child Care Center; and

300 WHEREAS, Reverend Edwards has been recognized as a gifted writer, an effective and
301 spiritually anointed speaker whose Gospel messages communicate effectively and with
302 simplicity to persons from all walks of life, and a writer of spiritual publications throughout
303 the United States; and

304 WHEREAS, he has served as a member of the Church of God Executive Council, chairman
305 of the general study commission, state youth boards, evangelism boards, state overseer of the
306 Church of God in Northern Ohio, and numerous other conferences, councils, and meetings
307 as an active and honored member whose spiritual guidance is sought; and

308 WHEREAS, Reverend Edwards is united in love and marriage to his wife, Becky, and has
309 been blessed with five children and several grandchildren; and

310 WHEREAS, the ministry of Reverend Edwards has enriched his denomination in visionary
311 leadership, in discipleship, in outreach, in Bible teaching, in faith-building fellowship, and
312 by encouraging active community service; and

313 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
314 of peace and love be recognized with an intersection dedicated in his honor.

315 **PART XVII**

316 WHEREAS, Mr. Samuel L. Cummings has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
317 for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
318 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

319 WHEREAS, Mr. Cummings was born in Midville, Georgia, one of 13 beloved children of
320 the late Lawton and Mary Cummings; and

321 WHEREAS, educated in the Burke County School System, Mr. Cummings attended
322 Swansboro Junior College and the University of Georgia before he became the first African
323 American certified elected official in Burke County; and

324 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
325 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
326 dramatically by his superlative service as a city councilmember and mayor for the City of
327 Midville; and

328 WHEREAS, Mr. Cummings' leadership and guidance have been instrumental to numerous
329 organizations, including the Optimism Club of Midville, board of directors for Family and
330 Children Services of Burke County, and Midville Development Authority; and

331 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
332 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his honor.

333 **PART XVIII**

334 WHEREAS, Colonel William Lee Robinson served as a guardian of this nation's freedom
335 and liberty with the United States military, valiantly and courageously serving a tour in
336 Vietnam and continuing his service for 31 years in the Army Reserve; and

337 WHEREAS, a leader in Bibb County, Colonel Robinson was widely recognized by the
338 citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal
339 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

340 WHEREAS, he was elected to the Georgia Senate in 1974, adeptly and ably representing the
341 people of Bibb and Monroe counties for eight years; and

342 WHEREAS, Colonel Robinson attended Mercer Law School while also obtaining his
343 master's degree in business administration; and

344 WHEREAS, he was elected as mayor of Macon in 1997 and served as a circuit public
345 defender for Macon-Bibb and surrounding counties after his service as mayor; and

346 WHEREAS, a civic leader, Colonel Robinson was active with the Middle Georgia Cancer
347 Society, Alzheimer's Association, Cherry Blossom Festival, Macon Jaycees, Rotary Club,
348 and Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful; and

349 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Colonel Robinson was a founding member of
350 Ingleside Baptist Church, where he served as deacon, overseer, and Sunday school teacher
351 and was an avid participant and leader of mission trips in many areas of the world; and

352 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
353 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

354 **PART XIX**

355 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
356 citizens with the passing of Mr. Steven Charles Brack on October 11, 2004; and

357 WHEREAS, Mr. Brack served with the Allentown Volunteer Fire Department and was a
358 member of the Allentown City Council; and

359 WHEREAS, his life was tragically cut short when he was involved in a vehicle crash while
360 responding to a call on Interstate 16; and

361 WHEREAS, Mr. Brack gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep
362 concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he
363 demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

364 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
365 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
366 made this world a better place in which to live; and

367 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
368 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

369 **PART XX**

370 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
371 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
372 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

373 WHEREAS, a native of Mitchell County, Georgia, Mr. Harvey J. Morey was one of 12
374 beloved children of Robert H. Morey and Ruth Alligood Morey; and

375 WHEREAS, he demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a
376 willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his
377 fellow man; and

378 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
379 States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow citizens during World
380 War II; and

381 WHEREAS, Mr. Morey trained at Fort Gordon and in Scotland and England, was a member
382 of the 2nd battalion, 29th Infantry Division, 116th Infantry Regiment, and experienced
383 combat in France; and

384 WHEREAS, he was killed in action on Martinville Ridge outside of St. Lo, France, on July
385 15, 1944; and

386 WHEREAS, Mr. Morey's bravery and sacrifice were recognized with a Purple Heart, Combat
387 Infantryman Badge, American Campaign Medal, and World War II Victory Medal; and

388 WHEREAS, Mr. Morey embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something
389 greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and
390 distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

391 **PART XXI**

392 WHEREAS, Mayor Eva Cohn Galambos is remembered by the citizens of this state for the
393 vital role she played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
394 citizens of Georgia; and

395 WHEREAS, born in Berlin, Germany, Mayor Galambos graduated *summa cum laude* with
396 a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Georgia, earned a
397 master's degree in labor and industrial relations also from the University of Georgia, and
398 obtained a doctorate in economics from Georgia State University; and

399 WHEREAS, her first professional job was as an associate editor for the *Atlanta Journal of*
400 *Labor* and she went on to work with the Georgia State Merit System and the International
401 Association of Machinists and taught at Clark College and Georgia State University; and

402 WHEREAS, she was elected to serve as the first mayor of Sandy Springs after the city's
403 incorporation in 2005, a position she maintained until 2014; and

404 WHEREAS, prior to Mayor Galambos' service as mayor she served as president for the
405 Committee for Sandy Springs, co-founder and secretary of Sandy Springs Revitalization,

406 founder of Sandy Springs Clean and Beautiful, chairperson of services committee for the
407 Sandy Springs Council of Neighborhoods, chairperson of the Fulton County Housing
408 Authority, and founder of the Sandy Springs Civic Roundtable; and

409 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
410 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an interchange in her memory.

411 **PART XXII**

412 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
413 enforcement officers with the passing of Sergeant First Class Ray F. Lents on December 16,
414 1993; and

415 WHEREAS, a native of Murray County, Georgia, Sergeant First Class Lents joined the
416 Georgia State Patrol in 1963 and was assigned to Post 27 in Blue Ridge upon graduating
417 from the 25th trooper school in Atlanta in 1964; and

418 WHEREAS, he was promoted to corporal in 1968 and sergeant in 1971 and served as
419 commander of Post 27 from 1971 until his retirement in 1993, diligently protecting and
420 serving the citizens of Fannin, Gilmer, Union, and Towns counties; and

421 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer served as a guardian of this nation's
422 freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces and was a member of Lebanon
423 Baptist Church and Blue Ridge Masonic Lodge Number 67 F&AM; and

424 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Jo Ann Galloway Lents and blessed with
425 three remarkable children, Jeff, Tim, and Mandy; and

426 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Lents exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding
427 loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and it is
428 abundantly fitting and proper that an intersection be dedicated in his memory.

429 **PART XXIII**

430 WHEREAS, Mayor Barbara Stephens is remembered by the citizens of this state for the vital
431 role she played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens
432 of Georgia; and

433 WHEREAS, a graduate of Young Harris College, Mayor Stephens dedicated 30 years to
434 inspiring and educating this state's future leaders as a teacher at East Fannin Elementary
435 School; and

436 WHEREAS, Mayor Stephens was elected the first female mayor of Morganton and diligently
437 and conscientiously served the citizens of Morganton for 13 and one-half years when she was
438 elected to serve as the city's mayor after there was a threat of disbanding the city charter
439 while she was a member of the city council; and

440 WHEREAS, her leadership and foresight were instrumental in obtaining a grant for \$5.6
441 million to replace the city's water lines, build a new 200,000 gallon water tank, establish a
442 new well, expand the water system, and increase the number of fire hydrants from 11 to 111;
443 and

444 WHEREAS, during her term as mayor, Fire Station 11 was opened, allowing life-saving
445 services to be provided to the people of Morganton faster and more efficiently; and

446 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mayor Stephens taught Sunday school for
447 many years at Temple Baptist Church; and

448 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
449 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in her memory.

450 **PART XXIV**

451 WHEREAS, Mr. Roy L. Chapman is remembered by the citizens of this state for the vital
452 role he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens
453 of Georgia; and

454 WHEREAS, a native of McCaysville, Mr. Chapman was the son of a pioneer family of
455 Fannin County, Enoch Washington and Josephine Watson Chapman; and

456 WHEREAS, he served as ordinary and probate judge for Fannin County for 28 years, and
457 during his career on the bench, he earned a reputation as a clear thinker and hard worker, as
458 a man whose strong convictions were supported by meticulous research and careful
459 consideration, and as an equitable, impartial leader whose decisions were governed by the
460 rules of honesty and fair play; and

461 WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman was an honest and dedicated public servant who strived for
462 excellence in all his endeavors and whose primary concern was the fair and impartial
463 administration of justice; and

464 WHEREAS, a community leader and activist, Mr. Chapman was active in the Republican
465 Party of Fannin County and was a charter member of the McCay Masonic Lodge Number
466 423 F&AM; and

467 WHEREAS, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Eva Mae Pierce Chapman and was blessed
468 with three remarkable children, Dr. Roy Lee Chapman, Mrs. Claudette Loudermilk, and Mrs.
469 Gilita Carter; and

470 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
471 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

472 **PART XXV**

473 WHEREAS, Mr. William Douglas "Billy" Dilworth was known throughout his community
474 and this state for his journalistic integrity, professionalism, and dedication to entertaining and
475 informing his audience; and

476 WHEREAS, a native of the Red Hill community of Franklin County, Mr. Dilworth made a
477 name for himself in media, working for years in the newspaper, radio, and television
478 industries; and

479 WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia, where he wrote
480 for the *Red & Black* student newspaper; and

481 WHEREAS, Mr. Dilworth wrote news and features for the *Athens Daily News* and worked
482 as a writer for the *Anderson Independent* in South Carolina and the *Atlanta Times*; and

483 WHEREAS, in 1985, he became the host of *The Billy Dilworth Show* which aired on
484 WNEG-TV for more than 20 years and entertained with a mixture of music and interviews;
485 and

486 WHEREAS, *The Billy Dilworth Show* was the longest running live television broadcast in
487 the country; and

488 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
489 American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

490 **PART XXVI**

491 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
492 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on U.S. Highway 19 North over Buck Creek in
493 Schley County is dedicated as the Thomas William Poole Memorial Bridge.

494 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on US 441/SR 15 over
495 Interstate 85 in Banks County is dedicated as the Richard Chambers Bridge.

496 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 127 over
497 the Flint River Overflow, three miles west of Marshallville in Macon County, is dedicated
498 as the Dr. Delores Felder Memorial Bridge.

499 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 26 over the
500 Flint River Overflow in Macon County is dedicated as the William Brown Bridge.

501 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge over Raccoon Creek on
502 Georgia Highway 133 west of Cartersville in Bartow County is dedicated as the Solomon T.
503 "Sol" Dover Memorial Bridge.

504 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. 29 over the
505 Savannah River in Hart County is dedicated as the Louie Morris Memorial Bridge.

506 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Highway 92 North over
507 the Chattahoochee River in Fulton County is dedicated as the Robert and Ardena Beasley
508 Memorial Bridge.

509 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route
510 125/Bemiss Road/Valdosta Ray City Highway and State Route 122 at the meeting point of
511 Lowndes, Berrien, and Lanier counties is dedicated as Walker's Crossing in memory of Mr.
512 William "Mr. Bill" and Ruby Herndon Walker.

513 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring
514 United States military veterans and dedicates the portion of State Route 125 from the

515 intersection of CR 354/Alapaha Lenox Road to the intersection at West Marion Avenue and
516 Tifton Road at State Route 122 in Berrien County as the Veterans Memorial Parkway.

517 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 37/76 over
518 Bear Creek in Cook County is dedicated as the Joel Jackson Parrish Bridge.

519 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Highway 19 from
520 Schley County mile marker 0 to Sumter County mile marker 15.7 and continuing to the
521 northern city limits of Americus at mile marker 14 is dedicated as the SFC Victor A.
522 Anderson Memorial Highway.

523 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 520 from Chattahoochee
524 County through Dougherty County, including Stewart, Webster, Terrell, and Lee counties,
525 is dedicated as the Purple Heart Highway.

526 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge over the Norfolk Southern
527 rail lines/North and South Berry Streets on State Route 42 in Henry County is dedicated as
528 the Martin Luther King, Sr., Memorial Bridge.

529 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Highway 129 over Lake
530 Lanier is dedicated as the Longstreet Bridge.

531 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Highway 257 and
532 the Highway 441 Bypass in Laurens County is dedicated as the TSGT Mack Fitzgerald
533 Intersection.

534 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route
535 20/Canton Highway and Roving Road/Smith Cline Road in Bartow County is dedicated as
536 the Reverend Joe E. Edwards Intersection.

537 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 305 from its intersection
538 with State Route 56 to the intersection of Old Wadley Road near the border of the city of
539 Midville in Burke County is dedicated as the Samuel L. Cummings Highway.

540 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Riverside Drive over
541 Interstate 75 in Bibb County is dedicated as the Mayor Lee Robinson Memorial Bridge.

542 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Highway 112 over
543 Interstate 16 in Wilkinson County is dedicated as the Steven Charles Brack Memorial Bridge.

544 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 93 from
545 State Route 112 in the community of Lester to State Route 300 in Baconton in Mitchell
546 County is dedicated as the Harvey J. Morey Memorial Highway.

547 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange at Georgia 400 and
548 U.S. 19 in Sandy Springs is dedicated as the Mayor Eva Cohn Galambos Memorial
549 Interchange.

550 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Highway 515/U.S.
551 75 and the Orvin Lance Connector is dedicated as the Sergeant First Class Ray F. Lents
552 Memorial Intersection.

553 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 60 where
554 the road diverges from Old U.S. 76 and proceeds west toward Blue Ridge to the intersection
555 of State Route 60/Old U.S. 76/Morganton Highway and Thomas Street in Fannin County is
556 dedicated as the Barbara Stephens Memorial Highway.

557 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 5/Blue
558 Ridge Drive and Tennessee Avenue in Fannin County is dedicated as the Roy L. Chapman
559 Intersection.

560 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 59 from the
561 intersection with State Route 17 to Highway 164/Bold Springs Road in Franklin County is
562 dedicated as the Billy Dilworth Memorial Highway.

563 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. 280 over the
564 Oconee River in Montgomery county is dedicated as the Veterans Memorial Bridge.

565 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 15 from
566 Womack Lane to the Johnson county line is dedicated as the Jimmy B. Lord Highway.

567 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
568 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities named in this
569 resolution.

570 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of is authorized and directed to
571 make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of
572 Transportation, to the family of Mr. Thomas William Poole; Mr. Richard John Chambers,
573 Sr.; Dr. Delores Felder; Mr. William Lee Brown; Mr. Solomon T. "Sol" Dover; Mr. Louie
574 Morris; Robert and Ardena Beasley; Mr. and Mrs. William Penn Walker, Sr.; Mr. Joel
575 Jackson Parrish; Sergeant First Class Victor A. Anderson; Mr. Martin Luther King, Sr.;
576 Colonel William Lee Robinson; Mr. Steven Charles Brack; Mr. Harvey J. Morey; Mayor Eva
577 Cohn Galambos; Sergeant First Class Ray F. Lents; Mayor Barbara Stephens; Mr. Roy L.
578 Chapman; and Mr. William Douglas "Billy" Dilworth; and Mr. Mack Fitzgerald, Reverend
579 Joe E. Edwards, and Mr. Samuel L. Cummings.