

Senate Resolution 583

By: Senator Hatchett of the 50th

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

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

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PART I

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Robert F. Sullivan has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
4 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Sullivan was born on September 21, 1927, the beloved son of Franklin
7 Clyde and Minnie Valdivia "Dee" Gillespie Sullivan and served as a guardian of this nation's
8 freedom and liberty with the United States Navy during the Korean War; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Sullivan earned his medical degree from Emory University, began his
10 medical practice in Carnesville, Georgia, in 1957, and served as chief of staff for Cobb
11 Memorial Hospital in Royston, Georgia; and

12 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
13 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
14 dramatically by his superlative service as president of the Carnesville Lions Club; and

15 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Dr. Sullivan was a lifelong member of
16 Carnesville Methodist Church; and

17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
18 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

19 **PART II**

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Lary Jack Moree has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
21 the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
22 of the citizens of Georgia; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Moree was born on November 9, 1942, the beloved son of R.V. and Miltie
24 Jeanette Johnson Moree and was the owner and operator of Moree's Grocery and Liquor
25 Store, the family business he took over from his father; and

26 WHEREAS, an avid golfer, Mr. Moree gave inspiration to many through his high ideals,
27 morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens; and

28 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding Mr. Moree demonstrated to his
29 family and friends were admired by others; and

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

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

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PART III

36 WHEREAS, Jerry Lee Waller, Sr., was born in Cobb County to the late Gordon Lee Waller
37 and Frances Ocille Smith Waller on March 12, 1938, and was called home to be with the
38 Lord on September 13, 2006; and

39 WHEREAS, Mary Frances Rogers Waller, who went by Frances, was born in Cohutta to the
40 late Lloyd Rogers and Ethel Oliver Rogers on July 5, 1940, and was called home to be with
41 the Lord on March 27, 2022; and

42 WHEREAS, Jerry and Frances met and fell in love at Berry College in Rome, Georgia,
43 married on August 26, 1961, and built their lives together and raised a family encompassing
44 six children, 14 grandchildren, and growing numbers of great-grandchildren; and

45 WHEREAS, from 1966 and thereafter, Jerry and Frances raised their family in the same
46 home on Lakewood Drive until their passings and played important roles in their community
47 and in their church, the Gospel Light Baptist Tabernacle; and

48 WHEREAS, Jerry began his career as a school teacher along with Frances before moving
49 back to Cobb County to join the manufacturing industry, culminating in almost 25 years
50 working for Lockheed Martin in Marietta supporting the production of C-130s; and

51 WHEREAS, Frances's passion was for education and children which was demonstrated by
52 her calling to be an elementary school teacher with over 20 years of service at four schools:
53 Coosa Elementary, Johnson Elementary, Lockheed Elementary, and Marietta Christian
54 School; and

55 WHEREAS, Frances never stopped being an educator, with a great sense of dry humor, to
56 the young and the old until the day she left this world; and

57 WHEREAS, Jerry and Frances made youth baseball and sports a family endeavor, making
58 Adams Park in Kennesaw a second home with five children cycling through the park for over
59 two decades; and

60 WHEREAS, Jerry inspired leadership traits in his children through taking on various roles
61 including coach, umpire, and president of the Kennesaw Baseball Association; and

62 WHEREAS, Jerry, a deacon, and Frances, a Sunday school teacher, were anchored by their
63 faith and called to serve family, friends, and strangers by opening up their home and offering
64 their resources to those in need for over 45 years; and

65 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that these remarkable and distinguished
66 Georgians be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in their memory.

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PART IV

68 WHEREAS, Dr. Jim Morrow dedicated 43 years to providing compassionate care as a family
69 medicine physician, a gifted diagnostician, and a beloved friend to his patients and
70 colleagues; and

71 WHEREAS, a graduate of Clemson University and the University of South Carolina,
72 Dr. Morrow was the CEO of Morrow Family Medicine, a state of the art family practice in
73 Cumming, Georgia, for ten years, where he was adored by his staff as a mentor, a friend, and
74 a trusted physician and earned the titles of the "Top 25 Place to Work in Atlanta" and the
75 "Best in Forsyth" in family medicine; and

76 WHEREAS, Dr. Morrow's leadership was invaluable to organizations such as the
77 Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology and the Health
78 Information Management and Systems Society (HIMSS); and

79 WHEREAS, his talent was recognized with numerous honors and awards, including the 2014
80 Steve Bloom Entrepreneur of the Year by the Cumming Forsyth Chamber of Commerce, the
81 Phoenix Award as Community Leader of the Year from the Metro Atlanta Chamber of
82 Commerce, the HIMSS Primary Care Davies Award, the HIMSS Physician IT Leader of the
83 Year, and the Distinguished Humanitarian Physician Alumni of the Year Award from the
84 University of South Carolina School of Medicine; and

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

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PART V

88 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
89 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 145 from Athens Street to
90 Hubbard Road in Franklin County is dedicated as the Dr. Robert F. Sullivan Memorial
91 Highway.

92 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 133 over
93 Dry Creek in Worth County is dedicated as the Lary Jack Moree Memorial Bridge.

94 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. 41 at Pine
95 Mountain Ct/Watts Drive in Cobb County, Georgia, is dedicated as the "Coach" Jerry L.
96 Waller, Sr. and Frances R. Waller Memorial Intersection.

97 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 9 and
98 Deputy Bill Cantrell Memorial Road in Forsyth County is dedicated as the Dr. Jim Morrow
99 Memorial Intersection.

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

103 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
104 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of
105 Transportation and to the families of Dr. Robert F. Sullivan; Mr. Lary Jack Moree; Jerry Lee
106 Waller, Sr., and Mary Frances Rogers Waller; and Dr. Jim Morrow.