

House Resolution 751

By: Representative Crowe of the 118<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Mr. William A. Fickling, Jr., and dedicating a bridge in his honor; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. William A. Fickling, Jr., has long been recognized for his contributions to  
4 this state and leadership in the financial and healthcare industries; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Fickling graduated from Auburn University, where he was a three-year  
6 starting forward on the basketball team, was named to the school's "Team of the Decade" for  
7 the 1950's; and as a member of the school's track team, won the Southeastern Conference  
8 high hurdle championship two times; and

9 WHEREAS, he serves as chairman of the Mulberry Street Investment Company, a  
10 diversified family management company headquartered in Macon, Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Fickling has served as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer  
12 of Beech Street Corporation, President and Chairman of Charter Medical Corporation, and  
13 Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta; and

14 WHEREAS, he has been recognized with numerous honors and awards, including the 1985  
15 Walter Gilbert Award from Auburn University, the Distinguished Alumnus Award of the  
16 Auburn School of Business, Award for Management Excellence and Achievement from the  
17 University of Georgia, Business Executive of the Year by the Georgia Security Dealers  
18 Association, and a Gold Award from The Wall Street Transcript; and

19 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished  
20 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL  
22 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on State Route 83 over the Towaliga River in  
23 Monroe County is dedicated as the William A. Fickling, Jr. Bridge.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
25 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the William A. Fickling, Jr.  
26 Bridge.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Mr.  
29 William A. Fickling, Jr., and to the Department of Transportation.