

ADOPTED

Senator Dolezal of the 27th offered the following amendment #2:

1 *Amend the Senate Committee on Transportation substitute to HR 1300 (LC 39 5121S) by*
2 *inserting between lines 249 and 250 the following:*

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Daniel Lockhart was born in Junction City, Georgia, and received
4 his early education at the County Line School of Taylor County, Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Lockhart dedicated 24 years to Central of Georgia Railroad and worked for
6 26 years with Murphy and Orr, Inc., of Forest Park, Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Lockhart was an active member of Forest
8 Chapel Baptist Church, where he served as deacon for more than 50 years, served as assistant
9 chairperson on the board of deacons, sang in the chorus, and served on the trustee board; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Lockhart was a great supporter of athletics, founding the Atlanta Spartans
11 Athletic Club and helping to lead the Forest Park Braves and Decatur Spartans to years of
12 success; and

13 WHEREAS, the community of Forest Park was blessed to have Mr. Lockhart's vision and
14 engagement and he worked tirelessly to improve the lives of Forest Park's youth through fund
15 raisers for their extra curricular activities; and

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

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PART XV

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Jimmy Neal Lawson, Sr., graduated from Swainsboro High School and
20 attended the University of Georgia's College of Pharmacy; and

21 WHEREAS, he cofounded Lawson & Cromer Pharmacy and dedicated over four decades
22 of his life to serving his customers with professionalism, compassion, and kindness; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson was a consistent and consummate presence in the civic life of the
24 City of Forsyth, serving on numerous boards and committees over the years; and

25 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Lawson was an active member of Forsyth
26 United Methodist Church; and

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

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

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PART XVI

33 WHEREAS, Mrs. Neva Jane Langley Fickling has long been recognized for her musical
34 talent and grace; and

35 WHEREAS, raised in Lakeland, Florida, Mrs. Fickling began playing the piano at the age
36 of seven and studied music at Florida Southern College and Wesleyan College; and

37 WHEREAS, at the age of 19 she won the Miss Macon pageant and went on to win Miss
38 Georgia and Miss America in 1953, holding the prestigious honor of being the only woman
39 to win all three titles; and

40 WHEREAS, after completing her studies at Wesleyan College in 1955, Mrs. Fickling
41 continued sharing her talents on the piano at public performances, including events with the
42 Macon-Wesleyan Symphony Orchestra and the Atlanta Pops Orchestra; and

43 WHEREAS, she devoted her time and talents to the boards of numerous organizations,
44 including Wesleyan College, Georgia Women of Achievement, the Georgia Trust for
45 Historic Preservation, the Gina Bachauer Piano Competition, Keep America Beautiful
46 Commission, Georgia State Clean Community Commission, the State Botanical Garden of
47 Georgia, the Macon Symphony Orchestra, the Community Foundation of Central Georgia,
48 the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, and the Georgia Council for the Arts; and

49 WHEREAS, Mrs. Fickling played a vital role in saving the Grand Opera House in Macon
50 from demolition through her fundraising and public awareness efforts; and

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

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PART XVII

54 WHEREAS, Senator Horacena E. Tate has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
55 for the vital role that she plays in leadership in this state and her deep personal commitment
56 to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

57 WHEREAS, Senator Tate graduated from Frederick Douglass High School, earned a
58 bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia, a master's degree from Atlanta University
59 Center, and a Doctor of Education degree from Clark Atlanta University; and

60 WHEREAS, succeeding her father, the late State Senator Dr. Horace Tate, she served with
61 distinction as the Georgia State Senator for District 38, representing portions of Fulton and
62 Cobb Counties, from 1998 to 2024; and

63 WHEREAS, during her tenure with the Senate that spanned over two decades, Senator Tate
64 served as member of the Senate Appropriations, Education and Youth, Rules,
65 Reapportionment and Redistricting, State and Local Governmental Operations, and Urban
66 Affairs Committees; and

67 WHEREAS, her leadership and service has been recognized with numerous awards,
68 including Legislator of the Year from the National Association of Social Workers Georgia
69 Chapter; and

70 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
71 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an
72 interchange in her honor.

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PART XVIII

74 WHEREAS, Captain Helio Armando Garcia III was a devoted public servant whose life was
75 marked by bravery, integrity, and a steadfast dedication to the safety and well-being of the
76 community; and

77 WHEREAS, Captain Garcia served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with
78 the United States Marine Corps; and

79 WHEREAS, he played a pivotal role in the South Fulton Police Department's growth and
80 advancement from its inception as one of the founding officers of the department; and

81 WHEREAS, Captain Garcia exhibited extraordinary devotion to public service, outstanding
82 loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his duties and was highly
83 regarded as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the sound principles of law
84 enforcement; and

85 WHEREAS, Captain Garcia led an exceptional career of public of service, always putting
86 public safety and the citizens of South Fulton first, and his inspiring commitment to the
87 welfare of others stands as a shining example of the positive effect law enforcement
88 professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

89 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
90 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an
91 interchange in his memory.

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PART XIX

93 *By inserting between lines 285 and 286 the following:*

94 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 138
95 Spur and State Route 3 in Clayton County is dedicated as the Robert Daniel Lockhart
96 Memorial Intersection.

97 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 83 over
98 Tobesofkee Creek in Monroe County is dedicated as the Jimmy N. Lawson, Sr. Memorial
99 Bridge.

100 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 87 from
101 Elbert Jackson Road to Marvin Circle in Monroe County is dedicated as the Neva Langley
102 Fickling Memorial Highway.

103 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange of State Route 402
104 (I-20) and State Route 407 (I-285) in Fulton County is dedicated as the Senator Horacena E.
105 Tate Interchange.

106 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange of State Route 403
107 (I-85) and Flat Shoals Road in Fulton County is dedicated as the Captain Helio Armando
108 Garcia III Memorial Interchange.

109 *By replacing line 292 with the following:*

110 "Bubber" Epps, Jr., Reverend James H. Miller, Mr. Ellis Crook, and Senator Horacena E.
111 Tate; and to the families of

112 *By replacing line 295 with the following:*

113 Sessoms, Zander Trayvon Whatley, Mr. Kevin "Catfish" Jackson, Mr. Robert Daniel
114 Lockhart, Mr. Jimmy Neal Lawson, Sr., Mrs. Neva Jane Langley Fickling, and Captain Helio
115 Armando Garcia III.