

House Resolution 36 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th

A RESOLUTION

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

2 **PART I**

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

6 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and this nation continue to mourn the loss of one of its
7 finest citizens with the untimely passing of Staff Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead on April 24,
8 2008; and

9 WHEREAS, a native of Commerce, Georgia, Staff Sergeant Whitehead attended Commerce
10 High School and joined the United States Armed Forces in 2003; and

11 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty as a member of the
12 A Company, 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team; and

13 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Whitehead was struck and killed by a bomb while patrolling on
14 foot in Iskandariyah, Iraq; and

15 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this American hero has left an unfillable void in the
16 hearts and lives of his parents, wife, children, family, and friends; and

17 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Whitehead embodied the spirit of service, willing to find
18 meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this
19 remarkable and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge
20 in his memory.

21 **PART II**

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Bill T. Hardman was named Georgia's first tourism director of the Georgia
23 Department of Industry and Trade in 1959 and was charged with the responsibility of
24 building this state's hospitality industry; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman established and served as president of the Southern Travel
26 Directors' Council, conducted the first Governor's Conference on Tourism in this country,
27 and promoted Georgia at travel conferences around the United States, Canada, and Europe;
28 and

29 WHEREAS, he helped organize and served as chairman of the National Association of
30 Travel Organizations and served on the organization's board of directors for 49 years; and

31 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman developed the concept of building Welcome Centers at major
32 highway entrances for the State of Georgia; and

33 WHEREAS, in 1991 he created the Southeast Tourism Society's Marketing College at the
34 University of North Georgia; each year 300 students from 13 southern states travel to
35 Dahlonega to participate in this tourism oriented school, which has 804 graduates to date;
36 and

37 WHEREAS, he was active in the effort to preserve and restore Lumpkin County's original
38 courthouse, which now serves as Dahlonega's Gold Museum, and was part of the group of
39 local civic boosters who led a wagon train loaded with gold mined in Dahlonega to the State
40 Capitol to promote Dahlonega as a major tourism destination; and

41 WHEREAS, in his beloved hometown of Dahlonega, Mr. Hardman organized the Christmas
42 Decorating Contest for Dahlonega merchants and raised funds to restore and display the
43 Dahlonega Driving Bell, a relic from 1875 found in the Chestatee River; and

44 WHEREAS, Mr. Hardman was awarded the Tourism Lifetime Achievement Award by the
45 State of Georgia and was inducted into the Atlanta Hospitality Hall of Fame.

46 **PART III**

47 WHEREAS, Mr. William Love Walton played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated
48 a deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

49 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
50 States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during
51 World War II; and

52 WHEREAS, an upstanding resident of Eatonton, Georgia, for 88 years, Mr. Walton was a
53 dairy farmer and beef farmer, helping to put the city on the map as the dairy capital of the
54 world; and

55 WHEREAS, Mr. Walton was named Georgia's Soil Conservationist of the Year in the early
56 1960's; and

57 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Walton was an active member of First
58 Baptist Church of Eatonton; and

59 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage for more than 64 years to his wife, Carolyn
60 Cunningham Walton, and he was blessed with four remarkable children; and

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

64 **PART IV**

65 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
66 citizens with the passing of Mrs. Pauline Spearman Brinkley; and

67 WHEREAS, Mrs. Brinkley was a woman with exceptional values and enduring work ethic,
68 as evidenced by the countless hours she spent inspiring and influencing the children of
69 Faceville and Decatur County, Georgia, through her work with the school lunch room
70 program during and after World War II; and

71 WHEREAS, a widowed mother of five, Mrs. Brinkley sewed clothes for her children out of
72 patterns cut from newspapers and made her children's upbringing and happiness a priority
73 during the most challenging of financial times; and

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

77 WHEREAS, Mrs. Brinkley was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable
78 reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made
79 of her life, she made this world a better place in which to live; and

80 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
81 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in her memory.

82 **PART V**

83 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
84 citizens with the passing of Senior Police Officer Elmer B. "Buddy" Christian III on March
85 22, 2011; and

86 WHEREAS, Officer Christian grew up in Madison County, Georgia, a beloved son of Bud
87 and Carolyn Christian; and

88 WHEREAS, Officer Christian was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and
89 state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication
90 to the sound principles of law enforcement; and

91 WHEREAS, he worked with the Athens-Clarke County Transportation and Public Works
92 Department before joining the Athens-Clarke County Police Department in December of
93 2002 as a police officer; and

94 WHEREAS, Officer Christian was promoted to Senior Police Officer in March of 2010 and
95 was a member of the department's honor guard; and

96 WHEREAS, on March 22, 2011, Officer Christian paid the ultimate sacrifice when he was
97 shot and killed in the line of duty; and

98 WHEREAS, he was posthumously honored with the Sherm Applebaum Award by the
99 Athens Rotary Club, Red Cross Heroes Award by the American Red Cross East Georgia
100 Chapter, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Sworn Employee of the First Quarter of 2011
101 by the Athens-Clarke County Police Department, and Sworn Employee of the Year for 2011;
102 and

103 WHEREAS, his name has been added to the wall at the National Law Enforcement
104 Memorial in Washington, D.C., and the Georgia Law Enforcement Memorial; and

105 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments and
106 sacrifice of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge
107 in his memory.

108 **PART VI**

109 WHEREAS, Mr. James Henning Perry, also known as Uncle Jim Perry of Nashville, was
110 born in May, 1922, in Nashville, Georgia, the beloved son of Edmond and Carrie Dorsey
111 Perry and the brother of Mary Erneste Perry Houston and W.D. "Bill" Perry; and

112 WHEREAS, Mr. Perry graduated from Berrien County High School, where he was a popular
113 football star, and attended the University of Georgia; and

114 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
115 States Armed Forces and landed on Utah Beach in Normandy, France, on D-Day; and

116 WHEREAS, throughout World War II, Mr. Perry fought at the Battle of St. Lo, France, the
117 Liberation of Paris, the Battle of Huertgen Forest, and the Battle of Baston/Battle of the
118 Bulge; and

119 WHEREAS, his valor and bravery were recognized with medals and awards which include
120 the Silver Star, Army Accommodation Medal for Valor, Purple Heart, Expert Infantryman's
121 badge, three campaign ribbons for the war in Europe, and National Defense Medal; and

122 WHEREAS, he was awarded the French Croix de Guerre, a medal equivalent to the
123 Distinguished Service Cross given by the United States Armed Forces, for valor under fire
124 on behalf of the liberation of Paris and the French people; and

125 WHEREAS, upon his return to the United States after the war, Mr. Perry became a
126 community leader, speaking often around the country; and

127 WHEREAS, Mr. Perry was the president and owner of the Nashville Grocery Company, a
128 director and agent of Life of the South Insurance Company, and a bank director of the
129 Citizens Bank; and

130 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Perry was a devoted member of Nashville
131 United Methodist Church where he sang in the choir and was on the church board; and

132 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his supportive wife, Mary Payne Brown,
133 and was blessed with two remarkable children, Jimmy and Kathryn; and

134 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
135 service of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

136 **PART VII**

137 WHEREAS, Captain Herb Emory was born on April 2, 1953, in Transylvania County, North
138 Carolina; and

139 WHEREAS, Captain Herb moved to Atlanta in 1971 to attend the Atlanta School of
140 Broadcasting and National School of Broadcasting and began serving as a traffic reporter in
141 Atlanta; and

142 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Captain Herb worked with numerous local radio stations,
143 including WSNE of Cumming, WDGL of Douglasville, WFOM of Marietta, WACX of
144 Austell, WQXI-AM, 94 Q-Star 94, and Georgia Network News; and

145 WHEREAS, in 1991 Captain Herb moved to WSB Radio and *Channel 2 Action News*, where
146 he initiated and helped build the traffic team system and infrastructure, including the
147 concepts of "Red Alerts" and "Triple Team Traffic" which countless Atlanta commuters grew
148 to rely upon for accuracy and up-to-the-minute traffic advisories; and

149 WHEREAS, Captain Herb's commitment to helping Atlanta's drivers navigate traffic with
150 ease is evident by his numerous awards and accolades, including at least 15 First Place
151 Awards, including two Green Eyeshades, for news and traffic reports from the Georgia
152 Associated Press Association, and his induction into the Georgia Radio Hall of Fame in
153 2008; and

154 WHEREAS, his generosity of spirit and compassion for others was also widely recognized
155 as he hosted the annual Toys for Tots fundraiser at Fred's Barbeque House in Lithia Springs,
156 volunteered with the Douglas County Boys and Girls Club, was a dedicated member of the
157 Douglas County Animal Control Advisory Board, served on the Friends of Sweetwater Creek
158 State Park Board of Directors, and raised awareness against drinking and driving; and

159 WHEREAS, Captain Herb passed away on April 12, 2014, doing what he did best—helping
160 others, and his presence and work has been sorely missed by the Atlanta community; and

161 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
162 gratitude for the life's work of this Atlanta icon by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

163 **PART VIII**

164 WHEREAS, Mr. Wayne J. Hawes was born on February 22, 1914, the beloved son of the
165 late Jack and Josephine Dallas Hawes; and

166 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
167 States Air Corps, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow citizens in World War II;
168 and

169 WHEREAS, a graduate of Washington High School, Mr. Hawes earned a bachelor's degree
170 from Savannah State University and devoted his career to inspiring young people as an
171 educator; and

172 WHEREAS, he taught at several elementary schools in Lincoln County and served as a
173 social studies teacher, department chairperson, assistant principal, and accounts manager at
174 West Side High School; and

175 WHEREAS, a civil rights advocate, Mr. Hawes was a life member of the NAACP, serving
176 as president of his local chapter for many years, and was the first African American member
177 of Lincoln County Board of Education; and

178 WHEREAS, Mr. Hawes was a charter member of Twilight Improvement, Inc.; co-founder,
179 chief executive officer, and president of Twilight Sewing Plant, Inc; and a member of the
180 Northeast Georgia Leadership Council and American Legion Post 597; and

181 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Hawes was a member of Ebenezer Baptist
182 Church, where he served as a deacon for 52 years, a Sunday school teacher for more than 60
183 years, and assistant church clerk; and

184 WHEREAS, he served as assistant secretary of the Columbia Sunday School Convention and
185 president of the Lincoln County Sunday School Union; and

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

189 **PART IX**

190 WHEREAS, Mr. Roy William Beaver was born on July 9, 1927, the beloved son of R.A.
191 "Rufus" and Etta Mae Beaver; and

192 WHEREAS, a member of the VFW Blue Ridge Chapter, Mr. Beaver served as a guardian
193 of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States military, valiantly and
194 courageously defending his fellow citizens during World War II and the Korean War; and

195 WHEREAS, he dedicated his career to Levi Strauss & Co. and diligently and conscientiously
196 devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his
197 community and state; and

198 WHEREAS, Mr. Beaver served on the Fannin County Board of Commissioners and Fannin
199 County Board of Education and was a past master of the Masonic Lodge Blue Ridge Chapter
200 #67; and

201 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to Patsy Ruth Davenport Beaver for 61
202 wonderful years, and was blessed with two remarkable children, Michael and Sharon, three
203 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren; and

204 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Beaver was an active member of O'Zion
205 Baptist Church, where he served as secretary and treasurer; and

206 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
207 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his
208 memory.

209 **PART X**

210 WHEREAS, James C. Moore was born in Coffee County in 1930; and

211 WHEREAS, he graduated from Nicholls High School, from South Georgia College, and
212 Georgia Southern College (known as Georgia Teachers College at the time); and

213 WHEREAS, he served in the United States Air Force from 1951 until 1953, rising to the rank
214 of Staff Sergeant; and

215 WHEREAS, he taught and coached in the Coffee County School System for 13 years,
216 serving at West Green (2), Nicholls (5), Douglas Junior High (2), and Coffee High (4); and

217 WHEREAS, he also served as Principal of West Green Elementary for one year, Assistant
218 Superintendent for one year, and as Superintendent of Schools for nine years; and

219 WHEREAS, from 1978-1989, he served in the General Assembly representing Coffee and
220 Atkinson Counties. During this period, he became close friends with the DOT
221 Commissioner, Tom Moreland, and initiated many highway projects that are still providing
222 benefits today. These projects included: the four-laning of U.S. Highway 441 from Douglas
223 to Pearson; the four-laning and adding passing lanes from downtown Douglas to the present
224 high school and to Broxton; the completion of the perimeter road around Douglas, which Mr.
225 Moreland said at the dedication that Douglas was only the third city in Georgia to have a
226 perimeter road behind Atlanta and Athens; the paving of streets in Coffee and Touchton
227 Woods subdivisions; the paving of all roads to churches in Coffee County; the four-laning
228 of SR 158 from Peterson Avenue to Baker Highway (a must for the Wal-Mart Distribution
229 Center to locate in Douglas); and adding wider truck access on the perimeter road for
230 Wal-Mart; and

231 WHEREAS, while in the General Assembly, James C. Moore served on the Ways and
232 Means, Education, Agriculture, Natural Resources, and QBE Study Committees; and

233 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Legislative Council to the Southern Regional Education
234 Board (SREB) for five years; and

235 WHEREAS, James C. Moore sponsored legislation to create the Department of Adult and
236 Technical Education; and

237 WHEREAS, he resigned from the General Assembly in 1989 to become the Vice-President
238 for Economic Development at Altamaha Technical College in Jesup and served in that
239 position from 1989 until 1992; and

240 WHEREAS, since he grew up in Coffee County, attended school in Coffee County, returned
241 to Coffee County to live and work as an educator and farmer, and is a landowner and was a
242 former business owner in Douglas, it is only proper and fitting that a lasting tribute
243 recognizing the contributions of James C. Moore to the people of Coffee County be
244 established.

245 **PART XI**

246 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
247 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Trooper James David Young on May 4, 1975;
248 and

249 WHEREAS, a native of Fitzgerald, Georgia, Trooper Young attended the 41st Trooper
250 School and was assigned to service at Post 30 in Cordele, Georgia; and

251 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short when he was killed
252 by a prisoner while working with the Cordele Police Department; and

253 WHEREAS, Trooper Young exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty,
254 fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

255 **PART XII**

256 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
257 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Trooper John Dixon Morris on May 18, 1982;
258 and

259 WHEREAS, a native of Dublin, Georgia, Trooper Morris attended the 54th Trooper School
260 and was assigned to service at Post 8 in Madison, Georgia; and

261 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short after he was killed
262 in a patrol car crash on Atlanta Highway in Monroe, Georgia; and

263 WHEREAS, Trooper Morris exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty,
264 fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

265 **PART XIII**

266 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
267 enforcement officers with the tragic passing of Trooper Mack Allen Page on June 22, 1968;
268 and

269 WHEREAS, a native of Ellijay, Georgia, Trooper Page attended the 26th Trooper School and
270 was assigned to service with Post 27 in Blue Ridge, Georgia; and

271 WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short after a patrol car
272 crash on State Route 2 in Union County; and

273 WHEREAS, Trooper Page exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine
274 leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

275 **PART XIV**

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

279 WHEREAS, Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion
280 Rodgers were influential Tuskegee Airmen who valiantly and courageously served this
281 nation during World War II and were born in or spent years during their childhood in
282 Laurens County, Georgia; and

283 WHEREAS, a native of Laurens County, Major Herndon Cummings enlisted in the United
284 States Air Corps on June 25, 1942, and was assigned to the 447th Bomber Group with whom
285 he served for four years; and

286 WHEREAS, upon completion of his service with the Air Corps, Major Cummings enlisted
287 with the United States Air Force Reserve and dedicated 20 years of additional service to the
288 nation; and

289 WHEREAS, Colonel Marion Rodgers was raised in Dublin, Georgia, and served with an
290 anti-aircraft artillery unit and as a radio operator prior to attending flight school; and

291 WHEREAS, Colonel Rodgers was assigned to the 99th Fighter Squadron, the "Red Tails,"
292 and dedicated 22 years to the Air Force before working in the civil service field for 17 years;
293 and

294 WHEREAS, Colonel Rodgers spent a year working for N.A.S.A. as a program manager on
295 the mission for Apollo 13 and was prominent in the development of electronics and
296 communications procedures with N.O.R.A.D.; and

297 WHEREAS, Colonel John Whitehead spent several years during his youth in Laurens
298 County and flew several missions over Europe during World War II; and

299 WHEREAS, known as "Mr. Death" by his fellow pilots, Colonel Whitehead was the first
300 African American test pilot for the Air Force and during his 30 year career spent more than
301 9,500 hours in the air; and

302 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
303 these distinguished Georgians be appropriately recognized with the naming of an interchange
304 in their honor.

305 **PART XV**

306 WHEREAS, MSG Reginald S. Carter, Sr., was recognized by the citizens of this state for the
307 vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the
308 citizens of Georgia; and

309 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
310 States Armed Forces for over 25 years during World War II and the Vietnam War; and

311 WHEREAS, MSG Carter diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his
312 time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
313 dramatically by his superlative service with the Taylor County Board of Education and the
314 Tax Assessors Board; and

315 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
316 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

317 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this
318 distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

319 **PART XVI**

320 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Kelso C. Horne served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and
321 liberty as a second lieutenant in the 82nd Airborne Division during World War II; and

322 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Horne was a resident of Dublin, Georgia, and graced the cover of
323 *LIFE* magazine on August 14, 1944, as a representation of the one of thousands of men who
324 were fighting to win the battle for France; and

325 WHEREAS, at 2:06 A.M. on June 6, 1944, Lieutenant Horne leapt from his transport plane
326 and parachuted into Normandy; and

327 WHEREAS, after weeks of fighting to gain ground against the enemy, Lieutenant Horne was
328 at the head of an infantry column that was advancing on a German-held town when he was
329 stopped by a staff car and asked to be photographed; and

330 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Horne was injured by shellfire in July 1944, and as he healed from
331 his injuries in England he saw his photo on the cover of *LIFE* magazine; and

332 WHEREAS, after he returned home from the war, Lieutenant Horne continued to serve his
333 country with the United States Postal Service; and

334 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that a lasting tribute to Lieutenant Horne's memory
335 and life of service to his country be established.

336 **PART XVII**

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

340 WHEREAS, E-4 Roger Dorsey demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting
341 democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the
342 well-being of his fellow man; and

343 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
344 States Navy, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow citizens during the Vietnam
345 War on the Air Craft Carrier *Intrepid* as an E-4 and working on the aircraft departing and
346 coming from Vietnam; and

347 WHEREAS, E-4 Dorsey earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee at
348 Chattanooga and served as the owner and operator of the Lil Pig Convenience Store in
349 Rossville for 22 years; and

350 WHEREAS, a proud member of the VFW Post #3679, E-4 Dorsey was awarded the Republic
351 of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the National Defense Service Medal; and

352 WHEREAS, E-4 Dorsey embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something
353 greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and

354 distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his
355 memory.

356 **PART XVIII**

357 WHEREAS, White County in Northeast Georgia is geographically considered part of the
358 Appalachian mountain range; and

359 WHEREAS, the cities of Cleveland and Helen in White County have promoted Cleveland
360 as the gateway to the Appalachian mountain range for more than 20 years; and

361 WHEREAS, the Appalachian Trail runs through White County and provides access to
362 Cleveland and Helen; and

363 WHEREAS, White County was designated as an official "Appalachian Trail Community"
364 in 2012 by the Appalachian Trail Conservancy; and

365 WHEREAS, White County is well known for its Appalachian folk potter face jugs and is
366 home to famous folk potter families including the Meaders, Hewell, Dorsey, and Ferguson
367 families; and

368 WHEREAS, the county is home to the Sautee Nacoochee Center, which includes an
369 American Heritage site featuring 19th century Appalachian artifacts which is used as an
370 American Appalachia teaching exhibit; and

371 WHEREAS, Cleveland and Helen in White County are well known in the field of
372 Appalachian heritage arts, promoting and developing educational programs to keep the
373 Appalachia visual and performing arts alive; and

374 WHEREAS, Cleveland is home to Xavier Roberts, founder of Original Appalachian
375 Artworks, where his Appalachian, handcrafted Little People heirloom dolls, now known as
376 Cabbage Patch Kids, were created; and

377 WHEREAS, White County has been designated as part of Appalachia by the federal
378 government and is eligible for grants from the Appalachian Regional Commission.

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PART XIX

380 WHEREAS, Mr. Frank L. Danchetz has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
381 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
382 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

383 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
384 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
385 dramatically by his superlative service with the Georgia Department of Transportation; and

386 WHEREAS, Mr. Danchetz earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the Georgia
387 Institute of Technology and dedicated his career to the Georgia Department of Transportation
388 for 34 years of superlative service in offices such as Environment and Location and Urban
389 Design, with ten years as Chief Engineer; and

390 WHEREAS, he was a professional mentor to many of the senior managers that currently lead
391 the department, and was instrumental in creating excellent relationships for the department
392 as a liaison to federal, state, and local legislators for project information; and

393 WHEREAS, he has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including the
394 Thomas H. MacDonald Memorial Award for continuous outstanding service over an
395 extended period to the art and science of highway engineering; and

396 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance were instrumental to AASHTO, where he served
397 as vice chairperson for the Standing Committee on Highways, as a member of the standing
398 committee on Research and the Asset Management Task Force, and held leadership positions
399 on the special committee on Environment, Archeology, and Historic Preservation; the
400 standing committee on Environment; and the National Transportation Product Evaluation
401 Program; and

402 WHEREAS, Mr. Danchetz was a pillar of support and institution of service for the Georgia
403 Department of Transportation, contributing some of the best years of his life to the
404 betterment of transportation; and

405 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
406 gratitude for this dedicated public servant by dedicating a road in his honor.

407 **PART XX**

408 WHEREAS, Mr. Paul V. Liles, Jr., has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
409 the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
410 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

411 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
412 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
413 dramatically by his superlative service with the Georgia Department of Transportation; and

414 WHEREAS, Mr. Liles earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the Georgia
415 Institute of Technology and dedicated his career to the Georgia Department of Transportation
416 with nearly four decades of superlative service, 22 years of which were as the State Bridge
417 Engineer; and

418 WHEREAS, he is an institution in the bridge and structural engineering world and has served
419 on a variety of committees for both state and national organizations over the years, including
420 AASHTO's Seismic, Construction, Concrete, Welding, Polymer Composites, and Security
421 committees and the Transportation Research Board's General Structures, Concrete Bridges,
422 Steel Bridges, Structural Fiber Reinforced Plastics, and Bridge Management committees; and

423 WHEREAS, a registered professional engineer, Mr. Liles holds the title of longest serving
424 employee at the department with 45 years of dedicated and professional activities on his
425 record; and

426 WHEREAS, his influence, role, and impact on engineering and bridge design in the State of
427 Georgia is truly meaningful and will be valued for generations to come; and

428 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
429 gratitude for this dedicated public servant by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

430 **PART XXI**

431 WHEREAS, Senator Lawrence (Bud) Stumbaugh has long been recognized by the citizens
432 of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal
433 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

434 WHEREAS, a graduate of Lipscomb University, Senator Stumbaugh's professional career
435 includes roles as a professional manager, entrepreneur, motivational speaker, and public
436 servant; and

437 WHEREAS, Senator Stumbaugh diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and
438 energy to the citizens of Georgia as a member of the Georgia State Senate for 16 years; and

439 WHEREAS, during the eight terms Senator Stumbaugh served in the Senate, his leadership
440 and bi-partisan spirit were evident as chairman of the Senate Insurance Committee; and

441 WHEREAS, he has spoken before sales management groups, civic clubs, political forums,
442 and school, religious, and business functions in 26 states; and

443 WHEREAS, Senator Stumbaugh grew one of his companies, Team Services, Inc., to 1,500
444 employees in 39 states and helped make it the 29th fastest growing corporation in America
445 before selling it on the London Stock Exchange; and

446 WHEREAS, he has served on the Board of Founders for Lipscomb University and the Board
447 of Trustees for Faulkner University; and

448 WHEREAS, during his tenure with the Georgia Senate, Senator Stumbaugh served as vice
449 chairperson for the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Overview Committee; and

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

452 **PART XXII**

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454 County, North Carolina; and

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457 Atlanta; and

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459 including WSNE of Cumming, WDGL of Douglasville, WFOM of Marietta, WACX of
460 Austell, WQXI-AM, 94 Q-Star 94, and Georgia Network News; and

461 WHEREAS, in 1991 Captain Herb moved to WSB Radio and *Channel 2 Action News*, where
462 he initiated and helped build the traffic team system and infrastructure, including the
463 concepts of "Red Alerts" and "Triple Team Traffic" which countless Atlanta commuters grew
464 to rely upon for accuracy and up-to-the-minute traffic advisories; and

465 WHEREAS, Captain Herb's commitment to helping Atlanta's drivers navigate traffic with
466 ease is evident by his numerous awards and accolades, including at least 15 First Place
467 Awards, including two Green Eyeshades, for news and traffic reports from the Georgia
468 Associated Press Association, and his induction into the Georgia Radio Hall of Fame in
469 2008; and

470 WHEREAS, his generosity of spirit and compassion for others was also widely recognized
471 as he hosted the annual Toys for Tots fundraiser at Fred's Barbeque House in Lithia Springs,
472 volunteered with the Douglas County Boys and Girls Club, was a dedicated member of the
473 Douglas County Animal Control Advisory Board, served on the Friends of Sweetwater Creek
474 State Park Board of Directors, and raised awareness against drinking and driving; and

475 WHEREAS, Captain Herb passed away on April 12, 2014, doing what he did best—helping
476 others, and his presence and work has been sorely missed by the Atlanta community; and

477 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
478 gratitude for the life's work of this Atlanta icon by dedicating a road in his memory.

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PART XXIII

480 WHEREAS, Mrs. Runell "Nell" Brooks Foster was born on March 27, 1906, a beloved
481 daughter of George B. and Emma Palmer Brooks; and

482 WHEREAS, the youngest of 12 children, Mrs. Foster's father was a prominent farmer and
483 land owner and she grew up on the family farm which consisted of more than 150 acres that
484 spanned across what is now the intersection of U.S. Highway 78 and Rosebud Road; and

485 WHEREAS, she attended Midway School, where she later went on to return as a teacher, and
486 is the oldest living graduate of Grayson High School; and

487 WHEREAS, Mrs. Foster was united in love and marriage to her high school sweetheart,
488 Clyde Foster, on February 12, 1928, and after the couple lived for a short time in Atlanta,

489 they returned to the corner of Rosebud Road and U.S. Highway 78 to live in the rock house
490 at the intersection; and

491 WHEREAS, now a centenarian, Mrs. Foster has lived on Rosebud Road and U.S. Highway
492 78 for 83 years and raised three daughters, Mary, Pat, and Sara, there; and

493 WHEREAS, Mr. Foster owned and operated Foster's Service Station across from the family
494 home for 45 years; and

495 WHEREAS, for decades, the Foster's rock home has served as a landmark in the area, and
496 it is abundantly fitting and proper that the intersection be dedicated in honor of Mrs. Foster
497 and her family.

498 **PART XXIV**

499 WHEREAS, Ms. Gladys Maria Knight was born on May 28, 1944, in Atlanta, Georgia, the
500 beloved daughter of Sarah Elizabeth and Merald Woodlow Knight, Sr.; and

501 WHEREAS, known as the "Empress of Soul," Ms. Knight is a world renown recording artist,
502 songwriter, businesswoman, humanitarian, and author; and

503 WHEREAS, her group, Gladys Knight & the Pips, was known for its award winning motown
504 sound and R&B with hits such as "I Heard It Through the Grapevine," "Neither One of Us
505 (Wants to Be the First to Say Goodbye)," "Midnight Train to Georgia," and "You're the Best
506 Thing That Ever Happened to Me"; and

507 WHEREAS, Ms. Knight's Grammy Award winning performances include "That's What
508 Friends Are For," "Superwoman," "Missing You," and "Heaven Help Us All"; and

509 WHEREAS, she earned the title of Best Traditional R&B Vocal Album from the Grammy's
510 for her work on *At Last* and Best Gospel Choir or Chorus Album for *One Voice*; and

511 WHEREAS, in addition to her amazing musical talent, Ms. Knight is a talented actress,
512 earning a Golden Globe Best New Actress nomination for her role in *Pipe Dreams*; and

513 WHEREAS, Ms. Knight has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades,
514 including an *Essence* award for Career Achievement, Trumpet Awards Foundation Pinnacle

515 Award, BET Lifetime Achievement Award, NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Jazz
516 Artist, and Soul Train Music Awards Lifetime Achievement Award; and

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

519 **PART XXV**

520 WHEREAS, Mr. Loyd Strickland has long been recognized for the vital role that he played
521 in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

522 WHEREAS, Mr. Strickland served as a member of the Department of Transportation Board
523 in the 1960s, where his leadership and influence were instrumental in the development of
524 Interstate 985 which provided a gateway to Gainesville State College and Lanier Technical
525 College; and

526 WHEREAS, his business acumen was widely recognized as the owner and founder of
527 Chestnut Mountain Hatchery, which later became Crystal Farms, a major player in the
528 poultry industry; and

529 WHEREAS, Mr. Strickland's generosity and philanthropy were evident as an early supporter
530 of Eagle Ranch, a thriving home for boys and girls; and

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

534 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
535 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his
536 memory.

537 **PART XXVI**

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

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

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

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

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

554 **PART XXVII**

555 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
556 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on State Route 82 at Interstate 85 in Jackson
557 County is dedicated as the Staff Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead Memorial Bridge.

558 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 400 in Dawson and
559 Lumpkin counties is dedicated as the Bill T. Hardman Hospitality Highway.

560 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 16 over
561 Rooty Creek in Putnam County is dedicated as the William Love Walton Bridge.

562 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 302 in Decatur County
563 from its intersection with State Route 97 to the Florida state line is dedicated as the Pauline
564 Spearman Brinkley Highway.

565 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. 78/State Route 10
566 Business over the Middle Oconee River in Clarke County is dedicated as the Officer Buddy
567 Christian Memorial Bridge.

568 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 76 at
569 milepost 3.19 in Berrien County is dedicated as the 1st LT James H. Perry "Uncle Jim"
570 Memorial Bridge.

571 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Lee Road over Interstate
572 20 in Douglas County is dedicated as the Captain Herb Emory Memorial Bridge.

573 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 79 over
574 Soap Creek in Lincoln County is dedicated as the Wayne J. Hawes Memorial Bridge.

575 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 515
576 and Loving Road in Fannin County is dedicated as the Roy William Beaver Intersection.

577 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the members of this body recognize
578 the outstanding contributions of James C. Moore and dedicate the portion of U.S. 221 North
579 from the city limits of Douglas to the West Green city limits as the James C. Moore
580 Memorial Highway.

581 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 107 from the
582 eastern city limit of Fitzgerald to the intersection with Eastside Church Road is dedicated as
583 the Trooper James David Young Memorial Highway.

584 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of US 441/GA 24 from
585 the northern city limit of Eatonton to the southern city limit of Madison is dedicated as the
586 Trooper John Dixon Morris Memorial Highway.

587 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 52 from its
588 intersection with Rackley Road to the Dawson County line is dedicated as the Trooper Mack
589 Allen Page Memorial Highway.

590 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. Route 80 at
591 U.S. 441 Bypass in Laurens County is dedicated as the Tuskegee Airmen Major Herndon
592 Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion Rodgers Interchange.

593 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the southbound bridge on State Route
594 3 over Cedar Creek in Taylor County is dedicated as the MSG Reginald S. Carter, Sr.,
595 Memorial Bridge.

596 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. Route 441/State
597 Route 117 in Laurens County from State Route 19 to U.S. Route 80 is dedicated as the
598 Lieutenant Kelso Horne Memorial Highway.

599 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 341
600 and Mission Ridge Road in Walker County is dedicated as the E-4 Roger Dorsey, United
601 States Navy, Memorial Intersection.

602 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of new Cleveland Bypass
603 from SR11/US129 at Donald E. Thurmond Drive extending northwest to SR11/US129 at
604 Hulsey Road is dedicated as the Appalachian Parkway.

605 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 306 from
606 GA 400 to State Route 53 in Forsyth County is dedicated as the Frank L. Danchetz Highway.

607 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 8/North
608 Avenue over the Interstate 75/Interstate 85 Connector in Fulton County is dedicated as the
609 Paul V. Liles, Jr., Bridge.

610 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on the MARTA Indian
611 Creek Station exit ramp to Interstate 285 southbound in DeKalb County is dedicated as the
612 Senator Lawrence (Bud) Stumbaugh Bridge.

613 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the new flyover ramp on Interstate
614 85 at Georgia 400 is dedicated as the Captain Herb Emory Flyover Ramp.

615 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Highway 78 and
616 Rosebud Road in Gwinnett County is dedicated as Brooks-Foster Crossing.

617 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 9 in Fulton County from
618 its intersection with Peachtree Street to 14th Street is dedicated as the Gladys Knight
619 Highway.

620 FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Interstate 985 and Mundy
621 Mill Road is dedicated as the Loyd Strickland Memorial Intersection.

622 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. 280 over the
623 Oconee River in Montgomery and Wheeler counties is dedicated as the Veterans Memorial
624 Bridge.

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

628 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House is authorized and directed to
629 make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of
630 Transportation; Mr. Frank L. Danchetz; Mr. Paul V. Liles, Jr.; Senator Lawrence (Bud)
631 Stumbaugh; Mrs. Runell "Nell" Brooks Foster; Ms. Gladys Maria Knight; and the families
632 of Staff Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead; Mr. Bill T. Hardman; Mr. William Love Walton; Mrs.
633 Pauline Spearman Brinkley; Officer Elmer B. "Buddy" Christian; Mr. James Henning Perry;
634 Captain Herb Emory; Mr. Wayne J. Hawes; Mr. Roy William Beaver; James C. Moore;
635 Trooper James David Young; Trooper John Dixon Morris; Trooper Mack Allen Page;
636 Tuskegee Airmen Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion
637 Rodgers; MSG Reginald S. Carter, Sr.; Lieutenant Kelso C. Horne; E-4 Roger Dorsey; and
638 Mr. Loyd Strickland.