

A RESOLUTION

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

PART I

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, in 1991 he created the Southeast Tourism Society's Marketing College at the University of North Georgia; each year 300 students from 12 southern states travel to Dahlonega to participate in this tourism oriented school, which has 879 graduates to date; and

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

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

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

PART II

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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, E-4 Dorsey embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

PART III

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART IV

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART V

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART VI

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART VII

WHEREAS, Captain Herbert "Herb" Lee Emory was born on April 2, 1953, in Transylvania County, North Carolina; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART VIII

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Mrs. Foster was united in love and marriage to her high school sweetheart, Clyde Foster, on February 12, 1928, and after the couple lived for a short time in Atlanta, they returned to the corner of Rosebud Road and U.S. Highway 78 to live in the rock house at the intersection; and

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

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

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

PART IX

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

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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Ms. Knight has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including an *Essence* award for Career Achievement, Trumpet Awards Foundation Pinnacle Award, BET Lifetime Achievement Award, NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Jazz Artist, and Soul Train Music Awards Lifetime Achievement Award; and

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

PART X

WHEREAS, Mr. Willie A. Watkins has long been recognized for his expertise as a mortician and funeral director and the compassionate role he has played during the most difficult time of a family's life; and

WHEREAS, a native of Scottdale, Georgia, Mr. Watkins was called to the mortuary field at a young age after accompanying his grandmother each weekend to funeral services of friends and neighbors in the small community and observing how important it was for families to see their loved ones remembered with dignity and grace; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Watkins's first job was at the age of eight, placing flowers alongside the hearses for a local funeral home; and

WHEREAS, his eagerness to excel in the field of mortuary science was evident when he was hired as a teenager by Thorton Mortuary, where he learned the heart and soul of the funeral services business; and

WHEREAS, during his sophomore year at Morehouse College, Mr. Watkins left the school to become part of the first class at Gupton Jones Mortuary College, where he earned an associate's degree in mortuary science; and

WHEREAS, he became a licensed funeral director and embalmer in 1971, and in 1978, at age 29, he purchased a building in the Historic West End of Atlanta which he would grow to become the epicenter of a mortuary business empire; and

WHEREAS, today, Willie A. Watkins Funeral Home, Inc., has five locations, all of which are impeccably designed to make guests feel comfortable at a time when they are most ill at ease, and serves more than 1,000 families a year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Watkins sets the standard for personal service, offering families the release of doves, signature flower cars, black cars with silver tops, and horse drawn carriages for processions; and

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

PART XI

WHEREAS, South Georgia is one of the few areas remaining in the United States where there are miles of rural landscape, historic small towns, and abundant agricultural operations; and

WHEREAS, the promotion of agri-tourism represents a readily available and effective tool for spurring economic development; and

WHEREAS, the portions of U.S. Highway 301 to be included in Georgia Grown Trail: 301 wind through eight counties with miles of family owned farms, unique lodging, u-pick farms, farm stands, farm murals, hands-on educational farm experiences, farm to table restaurants and establishments dedicated to preserving and sharing local recipes and traditions, and time honored and progressive crops and farming techniques; and

WHEREAS, a group of concerned representatives from each county along U.S. Highway 301 has met since March, 2014, with a mission to develop, preserve, and promote unique tourist destinations along the eight-county corridors; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Grown Highway 301 Association board of directors has a vision to create a unique, memorable driving experience and includes members of the Screven County Chamber of Commerce, Statesboro Convention and Visitors Bureau, Claxton/Evans County Chamber of Commerce, Glennville Chamber of Commerce, Long County Chamber of Commerce, Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, Brantley County Economic Development, and Charlton County Chamber and Economic Development; and

WHEREAS, dedication of this route as a scenic highway will promote economic well-being through agri-tourism.

PART XII

WHEREAS, Mr. Ozzie M. Hannah has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service with the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah was the first African American commissioner to be elected in Jefferson County and served three terms, adeptly tackling issues that affected the citizens of Jefferson County and representing his constituents commendably; and

WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of Jefferson County earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Hannah served with honor and distinction with the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners and his vision and unyielding commitment set the standard for public service; and

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

PART XIII

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

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

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

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

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

PART XIV

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its most promising young citizens with the tragic passing of Ethan Rutledge on November 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Ethan was a sweet, handsome, and amazing young man who never let anything get him down; and

WHEREAS, he made an immediate and lasting impression with every action he took, always working tirelessly to help those around him and others in need; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated and talented athlete, Ethan excelled as a football player and a cheerleader; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of this altruistic young man will live on through the precious gift of life he has given to hundreds as an organ donor; and

WHEREAS, a generous and passionate young man, Ethan will long be remembered for his love of family and friendship, and this loyal son, brother, teammate, and friend is deserving of an intersection named in his memory.

PART XV

WHEREAS, Mr. James Howard "Bud" Holloway, Jr., was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on July 2, 1932, the beloved son of James Howard Holloway, Sr., and Louise Walton Holloway; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow citizens and upholding the ideals of America; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, Mr. Holloway became the owner of the Pink Pig, a BBQ restaurant in the community of Cherry Log; and

WHEREAS, a cherished member of the Cherry Log community, Mr. Holloway always had a gold dollar for the children dining at his restaurant and a funny story to tell his guests; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holloway will long be remembered for his sense of humor and quick wit, and his political debates continue to be sorely missed by those who loved him; and

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

PART XVI

WHEREAS, Mr. John Robert "Johnny" Mize was born in 1913 in Demorest, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, an extraordinary athlete, Johnny began his career in major league baseball in 1936 with the St. Louis Cardinals; and

WHEREAS, he went on to play with the New York Giants before retiring from the New York Yankees in 1953; and

WHEREAS, he amassed incredible hitting and slugging records, with a .300 batting average in nine consecutive seasons and 51 home runs in 1947 alone; and

WHEREAS, Johnny played on five World Series championship teams and was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1981; and

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

PART XVII

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

WHEREAS, Corporal Russell S. King played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Corporal King was born on June 21, 1931, and graduated from Hoboken High School in Brantley County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States military, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Corporal King was held captive as a prisoner of war for 33 months; and

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

PART XVIII

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of Mr. Hoyt D. "Slick" Tatum on August 5, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tatum was born on November 16, 1931, in Cartersville, Georgia, a beloved son of the late Hoyt "Hob" Tatum and Lillian Tumlin Tatum; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tatum was united in love and marriage to Polly Pierce Tatum and was blessed with three remarkable children, Susan, Charles, and Bob; four wonderful grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; and

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

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

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body honor the life of this distinguished Georgian by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

PART XIX

WHEREAS, Mr. Henry Carlton Floyd has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Floyd was born on March 11, 1940, in Royston, Georgia, the beloved son of Louise Carlton Floyd and Grady Floyd; and

WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia and was the owner and operator of Ladds Farm Supply; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Floyd was an active member of Euharlee Baptist Church where he attended the adult Sunday school class and served as trustee and maintenance and grounds director; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Floyd served with honor and distinction on the Euharlee Farmer's Club and the Kiwanis Club, and his leadership was instrumental to the board of directors for the Cartersville-Bartow County Airport Authority; and

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

PART XX

WHEREAS, Mr. Jimmy B. Lord has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he has played in community leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lord was born in Washington County, Georgia, and graduated from Harrison High School before attending John A. Gupton School of Mortuary Science; and

WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service as county coroner and as member of the Georgia General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lord was elected to the House of Representatives in 1997 and served until 2008, holding such leadership positions as chairperson of the House Committee on Defense and Veterans Affairs and the House Committee on Insurance; and

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

PART XXI

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

WHEREAS, disabled American veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

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

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

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

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WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Melvin Poole played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Poole was born on February 18, 1948, and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States military, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Poole embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished American be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

PART XXIII

WHEREAS, Mr. Michael Andrew Norris was born on January 5, 1990, the beloved son of Bennett and Fran Norris; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norris grew up in Culloden, Georgia, where he graduated from Mary Persons High School and later went on to earn an associate's degree in criminal justice from Gordon State College; and

WHEREAS, he became a deputy with the Monroe County Sheriff's Department in 2012, working as a jail officer and school resource officer for K.B. Sutton Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norris exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties; and

WHEREAS, this dedicated law enforcement officer's life was cut short from injuries he sustained in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Norris was an active member of Culloden Primitive Baptist Church; and

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

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WHEREAS, Private John P. Dion played a vital role in leadership and demonstrated a deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Private Dion was born in Shattuck, Oklahoma, and enlisted in the United States Armed Forces after graduating from high school; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with 4th Brigade Combat Team of the 4th Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, Private Dion made the ultimate sacrifice for his fellow Americans when his unit was attacked by insurgents while serving in Ashoq, Afghanistan; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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PART XXVIII

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXIX

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXX

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXXI

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXXII

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXXIII

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXXIV

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXXV

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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, from 1978-1989, he served in the General Assembly representing Coffee and Atkinson Counties. During this period, he became close friends with the DOT Commissioner, Tom Moreland, and initiated many highway projects that are still providing

benefits today. These projects included: the four-laning of U.S. Highway 441 from Douglas to Pearson; the four-laning and adding passing lanes from downtown Douglas to the present high school and to Broxton; the completion of the perimeter road around Douglas, which Mr. Moreland said at the dedication that Douglas was only the third city in Georgia to have a perimeter road behind Atlanta and Athens; the paving of streets in Coffee and Touchton Woods subdivisions; the paving of all roads to churches in Coffee County; the four-laning of SR 158 from Peterson Avenue to Baker Highway (a must for the Wal-Mart Distribution Center to locate in Douglas); and adding wider truck access on the perimeter road for Wal-Mart; and

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

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

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

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

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

PART XXXVI

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

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

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

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

PART XXXVII

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

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

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

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

PART XXXVIII

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

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

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

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

PART XXXIX

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XL

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

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

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

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

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

PART XLI

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XLII

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART XLIII

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of Mr. John David Duke Lane, Sr., on December 4, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lane was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a beloved son of David Olin Lane and Ruby Duke Lane; and

WHEREAS, he was a graduate of Gordon Military College and attended the University of Georgia where he was a member of Chi Phi fraternity; and

WHEREAS, he worked with his grandfather, John David Duke, at Diamond D Farm and then he and his father, David Lane, established Lane Packing Company; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, he was honored by his peers with the title of "Mr. Peach" and his greatest joy was to ride around the farm, overseeing the growth and harvesting of the crops; and

WHEREAS, he was a member of the board of directors of the First South Bank for many years and was an avid outdoorsman, hunter, and fisherman; and

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

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

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

XLIV

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that State Route 400 in Dawson and Lumpkin counties is dedicated as the Bill T. Hardman Hospitality Highway.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Interstate 20 over Joseph E. Lowery Boulevard in Fulton County is dedicated as the Willie A. Watkins Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. Highway 301 beginning at the Georgia and South Carolina state line in Screven County through Bulloch, Evans, Tattnall, Long, Wayne, and Brantley counties to the Florida state line in Charlton County is dedicated as the Georgia Grown Trail: 301.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that State Route 24 in Jefferson County from its intersection with U.S. Highway 1 on the Louisville Bypass to the Burke County line is dedicated as the Ozzie M. Hannah Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring military veterans and dedicates the portion of Georgia Highway 99 from U.S. Highway 17 in Eulonia to U.S. Highway 17 in Darien as Veterans Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of GA 81 and GA 78 in Walton County is dedicated as the Ethan Rutledge Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 515 over Cherry Log Street in Gilmer County is dedicated as the J. H. "Bud" Holloway Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 385/Old Highway 441 over Camp Creek in Habersham County is dedicated as the Johnny Mize Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 177 at mile marker 16 in Ware County is dedicated as the Corporal Russell S. King Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Ga 113 over Richland Creek west of downtown Cartersville in Bartow County is dedicated as the Hoyt D. "Slick" Tatum Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that Ga. 133 from its intersection at Doughtit Ferry Road to Euharlee (Chulio) Road west of downtown Cartersville in Bartow County is dedicated as the Henry C. Floyd Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that Ga. 272 from Ga. 68 to Ga. 24 in Washington County is dedicated as the Jimmy B. Lord Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring disabled American veterans and dedicates the portion of Interstate 285 beginning east of Interstate 85 south of Atlanta to the top end of Interstate 75 north of Atlanta in Cobb, DeKalb, and Fulton counties as the Disabled American Veterans Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on US 280 over the Oconee River in Wheeler County is dedicated as the Lance Corporal Melvin Poole Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that Ga. 341 in Monroe County from the Lamar County line to the Crawford County line is dedicated as the Michael Andrew Norris Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the double bridge on East and West bound State Route 96 over Beechwood Swamp in Taylor County is dedicated as the Private John P. Dion Memorial Bridge.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 82 at Interstate 85 in Jackson County is dedicated as the Staff Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead Memorial Bridge.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange at Interstate 20 and State Route 44 in Greene County is dedicated the Honorable Mickey Channell Interchange.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 75 from the Georgia/Tennessee state line to the Georgia/Florida state line is dedicated as the Purple Heart Highway.

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 96 over Interstate 75 in Peach County is dedicated as the John David Duke Lane, Sr., Memorial Bridge.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of Transportation; Mr. Frank L. Danchetz; Mr. Paul V. Liles, Jr.; Senator Lawrence (Bud) Stumbaugh; Mrs. Runell "Nell" Brooks Foster; Ms. Gladys Maria Knight; Mr. Willie A. Watkins; Mr. Jimmy B. Lord; Mr. Samuel L. Cummings; and the family of Mr. Bill T. Hardman; E-4 Roger Dorsey; Captain Herbert "Herb" Lee Emory; Mr. Ozzie M. Hannah; Ethan Rutledge; Mr. James Howard "Bud" Holloway, Jr.; Mr. John Robert "Johnny" Mize; Corporal Russell S. King; Mr. Hoyt D. "Slick" Tatum; Mr. Henry Carlton Floyd; Lance Corporal Melvin Poole; Mr. Michael Andrew Norris; Private John P. Dion; Staff Sergeant Shaun J. Whitehead; Mr. William Love Walton; Mrs. Pauline Spearman Brinkley; Officer Elmer B. "Buddy" Christian; Mr. James Henning Perry; Mr. Wayne J. Hawes; Mr. Roy William Beaver; James C. Moore; Trooper James David Young; Trooper John Dixon Morris; Trooper Mack Allen Page; Tuskegee Airmen Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion Rodgers; MSG Reginald S. Carter, Sr.; Lieutenant Kelso C. Horne; Mr. Loyd Strickland; and Mr. John David Duke Lane, Sr.