

Senate Resolution 596

By: Senators Ginn of the 47th, Dugan of the 30th, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st and others

AS ADOPTED

A RESOLUTION

1 Dedicating certain portions of the state highway system; to provide for an effective date; to
2 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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PART I

4 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Mr. Isaiah
5 Berry on December 9, 2021; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Berry attended Savannah State College on a football scholarship, where his
7 studies focused on math and electronics; and

8 WHEREAS, he began his coaching career in 1970 in Eastman and Soperton, Georgia, before
9 becoming a proud Bulldogg at Winder-Barrow High School, where the math teacher coached
10 football and track and field; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Berry was recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including
12 Georgia Athletic Coach of the Year for girls track in 1975 and 1980, Hall of Fame
13 Track/Cross Country Coach of Georgia in 2000, Father of the Year 2001 by Men for a Better
14 Barrow County, the Beacon of Light Award by the Division of Family and Children Services

15 in 2003, the NAACP Appreciation Award in 1995, and Citizen of the Year 2011 and 2021
16 Shining Star Award by the Barrow County Chamber of Commerce; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Berry and his wife, Margie Nobles, opened their home and their hearts to
18 numerous children in the foster care system for over 25 years; and

19 WHEREAS, he was highly regarded by the citizens of his community as a person of
20 unquestioned integrity, and his dedication to inspiring young athletes set the standard for
21 excellence; and

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

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PART II

25 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
26 enforcement officers with the untimely passing of Sergeant Barry Henderson on March 9,
27 2021; and

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

31 WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction with the Polk County Sheriff's Office; and

32 WHEREAS, Sergeant Henderson exhibited extraordinary devotion to public service,
33 outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his duties; and

34 WHEREAS, he will long be remembered for his inspiring commitment to the welfare of
35 others, which stands as a shining example of the positive effect law enforcement
36 professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

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

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PART III

40 WHEREAS, Dr. Benny Tate has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel,
41 witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological,
42 intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

43 WHEREAS, Dr. Tate was called by the Lord over 30 years ago to lead the congregation of
44 Rock Springs Church in Milner, Georgia, as the church's senior pastor; and

45 WHEREAS, his vision and direction have helped Rock Springs Church grow in size from
46 80 to 8,000 members, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a
47 spiritual leader and place for fellowship with seven campuses; and

48 WHEREAS, Dr. Tate has established numerous programs and workshops which have
49 improved the spiritual and educational growth of the church and the surrounding community,
50 including Rock Springs Medical Clinic, Rock Springs Christian Academy, the Potters House
51 for Women, and Impact Street Ministry; and

52 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
53 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
54 humanitarian, Dr. Tate serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and

55 WHEREAS, Dr. Tate has authored four books: *One More Night with Frogs*; *Happy Wife*,
56 *Happy Life*; *When You Follow a Star and Find a Stable*; and *Bennyisms*; and

57 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
58 of peace and love be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

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PART IV

60 WHEREAS, Sheriff Ernest "Dobie" Conner is highly regarded by the citizens of his
61 community and state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity
62 and dedication to the sound principles of law enforcement; and

63 WHEREAS, Sheriff Conner began serving Charlton County in 1967 as a deputy sheriff and
64 was first elected sheriff of Charlton County in 1980; and

65 WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction as Charlton County Sheriff until his
66 retirement in 2021; and

67 WHEREAS, during his tenure as sheriff, he placed a heavy emphasis on drug education,
68 spending a significant amount of time in local schools with students, and piloted the Junior
69 Sheriff's program in Charlton County, a summer camp for students with an interest in law
70 enforcement which provides first-hand experience in the field; and

71 WHEREAS, Sheriff Conner led an exceptional career during his 40 years of service, always
72 putting public safety and the citizens of Charlton County first, and his inspiring commitment
73 to the welfare of others stands as a shining example of the positive effect law enforcement
74 professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

75 WHEREAS, Sheriff Conner exhibited extraordinary devotion to public service, outstanding
76 loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his duties and it is
77 abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized
78 appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

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PART V

80 WHEREAS, Dr. Samuel D. Thomas I was born in 1882 in Ridgeway, South Carolina, and
81 moved to Carrollton, Georgia, in 1918; and

82 WHEREAS, after graduating from medical school, Dr. Thomas completed his postgraduate
83 work at St. Andrews Hospital in Tuskegee, Alabama; and

84 WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas was highly regarded by the citizens of his community as a person
85 of unquestioned integrity, and his dedication to the medical profession set the standard for
86 excellence; and

87 WHEREAS, a trailblazer who paved the way for others, Dr. Thomas was the first African
88 American physician at Tanner Memorial Hospital in 1918, where he dedicated his time,
89 talents, and energy until his retirement in 1954; and

90 WHEREAS, in 1962, the Carrollton Housing Authority Board of Commissioners recognized
91 his influence by naming the West Carrollton Housing Development "Thomas Homes"; and

92 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Dr. Thomas was an active member of Mt. Zion
93 Baptist Church, where he served as deacon and treasurer; and

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

96 **PART VI**

97 WHEREAS, Representative Bill Hembree has long been recognized by the citizens of this
98 state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to
99 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

100 WHEREAS, born in Villa Rica, Georgia, and a product of the Douglas County Public School
101 System, Representative Hembree earned a bachelor's degree from Johnson and Wales
102 University; and

103 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
104 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced
105 dramatically by his superlative service as a member of the Georgia General Assembly for 14
106 years; and

107 WHEREAS, from 1999 to 2013, Representative Hembree served with honor and distinction
108 with the Georgia House of Representatives, and his vision and unyielding commitment to
109 representing the residents of his district set the standard for public service; and

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

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PART VII

114 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and law enforcement officers
115 with the passing of Officer Carol Leigh Ledford; and

116 WHEREAS, Officer Ledford's life was tragically cut short on April 19, 1999, when she was
117 hit head-on by a drunk driver; and

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

121 WHEREAS, the youngest graduate in her class at Northeast Georgia Police Academy and
122 the first female police officer in White County, Officer Ledford was the embodiment of
123 courage, compassion, and strength; and

124 WHEREAS, Officer Ledford was passionate about ensuring that Georgia's children were
125 upstanding citizens, speaking with students about the importance of following the law and
126 about the role a police officer plays in the community, as well as hosting numerous camps
127 that taught about the negative consequences of drug and alcohol use; and

128 WHEREAS, she was promoted to public relations officer and earned the nickname
129 "Cleveland's Young Gun" for her dedication to serving as a role model to children; and

130 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
131 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in her memory.

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PART VIII

133 WHEREAS, Representative Carlton H. Colwell has long been recognized by the citizens of
134 this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to
135 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

136 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
137 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
138 dramatically by his superlative service as a member of the Georgia General Assembly,
139 representing the citizens of Union County for over 30 years; and

140 WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure with the General Assembly, Representative
141 Colwell championed prison reform and alternatives to incarceration, with his commitment
142 recognized in 1994 with the naming of a probation detention center in his honor by the
143 Georgia Department of Corrections; and

144 WHEREAS, Representative Colwell served with honor and distinction with the Georgia
145 General Assembly, and his vision and unyielding commitment to representing the residents
146 of his district set the standard for public service; and

147 WHEREAS, a graduate of Union County High School, this dedicated public servant was
148 instrumental in numerous projects benefitting Union County visitors and residents; and

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

PART IX

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153 WHEREAS, Mr. Mike Berg has long been recognized for the vital role that he plays in
154 leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of this state; and

155 WHEREAS, a graduate of Sylvan Hills High School, Mr. Berg earned a bachelor's degree
156 from Georgia State University; and

157 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
158 States Army and retired from the position of manager from the Georgia Power Company; and

159 WHEREAS, Mr. Berg is the principal for Mike Berg and Associates, Inc., a government and
160 business strategic planning company, and serves as the chief financial officer for Marketing
161 Incentives, which sells promotional marketing incentives; and

162 WHEREAS, he is an active member of Rotary International, including the South Gwinnett
163 Club, Snellville Club, and Gwinnett Sunrise Club, where he has served as president, a major
164 donor, a GSRP Will Watt fellow, benefactor, Paul Harris Society member, RLI graduate, and
165 area four assistant governor; and

166 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance have been instrumental to numerous organizations,
167 including Lake Lanier Association, Coosa North Georgia State Water Planning Commission,
168 and Drawdown Georgia; and

169 WHEREAS, Mr. Berg has served as president of the Association of County Commissioners
170 of Georgia, chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Dawson County, county
171 commissioner for Gwinnett County District 3, board member for the Institute of Georgia
172 Environmental Leadership, chairman of the Georgia State Public Defender Council, board

173 member for the State Parent Teacher Association, and founder and chairman of Gwinnett
174 United in Drug Education; and

175 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable
176 and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his
177 honor.

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PART X

179 WHEREAS, Mrs. Edna Jo Mize was born in Rainsville, Alabama, and has long been
180 recognized for her commitment to uplifting the lives of others and her bright smile; and

181 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mize dedicated 27 years to the Eastman Kodak Company in Georgia; and

182 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
183 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she has made of her life,
184 she has made this world a better place in which to live; and

185 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Mize is a faithful member of United
186 Bethel Methodist Church, where she takes pride in meeting and welcoming new members
187 of the church; and

188 WHEREAS, for years she dedicated her time, talents, and energy to working in the church's
189 nursery and teaching young attendants about the Word of God and power of Jesus Christ; and

190 WHEREAS, she has worked as a bailiff at the Dawson County Courthouse for 25 years,
191 demonstrating her commitment to the justice system and law and order; and

192 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
193 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in her honor.

194 **PART XI**

195 WHEREAS, Forsyth County is home to roughly 8,000 residents who work in the technology
196 field; and

197 WHEREAS, the City of Alpharetta has more than 700 technology companies and helps
198 support Tech Alpharetta, a nonprofit that mentors young tech startups and fosters tech
199 business growth; and

200 WHEREAS, numerous technology companies are located along the Georgia 400 Highway,
201 including Scientific Games, Forte Data Systems, New Cyber Source, and Siemens; and

202 WHEREAS, leaders from the City of Alpharetta and Forsyth County are committed to
203 promoting technology companies and promoting the area as the technology destination of the
204 Southeast; and

205 WHEREAS, dedication of this route as a highway of progress will promote economic
206 development and attract more technology based businesses.

207 **PART XII**

208 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Mrs. Doris
209 Greene Mullis; and

210 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mullis was born in LaFayette, Georgia, the beloved daughter of Reverend
211 Gordon Lee and Eunice Graham Greene; and

212 WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Walker County, Mrs. Mullis worked at Crystal Springs
213 mill and inspired future leaders as a teacher at Osburn Elementary and substitute teacher for
214 Chickamauga City Schools; and

215 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mullis devoted her time, talent, and energy for over 30 years to serving
216 those with developmental disabilities as a case manager with Lookout Mountain Community
217 Services; and

218 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Mullis was an active and devoted
219 member of First Baptist Church of Chickamauga; and

220 WHEREAS, her leadership and guidance were invaluable to numerous organizations,
221 including the Cherokee Library Board, Chickamauga Public Schools Parent Teacher
222 Association, and Chickamauga American Legion Ladies Auxiliary; and

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

226 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
227 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in her memory.

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PART XIII

229 WHEREAS, Congressman Gordon Lee has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
230 for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
231 welfare of the citizens of Georgia and the United States; and

232 WHEREAS, Congressman Gordon Lee was born on May 29, 1859, near Ringgold, Georgia,
233 and graduated from Emory College in 1880; and

234 WHEREAS, Congressman Lee was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives in 1894
235 and served as a member of the Georgia Senate from 1902 to 1904; and

236 WHEREAS, he was appointed to the State memorial board by Governor William Atkinson
237 and served as a member of the National Forest Reservation Commission; and

238 WHEREAS, Congressman Lee served in the United States House of Representatives from
239 1905 to 1927; and

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

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PART XIV

244 WHEREAS, the McLemore Resort Community is located on a 1,000 acre tract atop Lookout
245 Mountain "above the clouds" in beautiful historic Walker and Dade counties, Georgia; and

246 WHEREAS, the McLemore Resort Community has an 18-hole spectacular highlands golf
247 course, which has been recognized nationally and internationally as having the "best
248 finishing hole in America since the year 2000" by *Golf Digest* and the "top 10 finishing hole
249 in the world" by *Links Magazine*; and

250 WHEREAS, the McLemore Resort Community includes a fine dining restaurant, corporate
251 event facilities, and a destination wedding site; and

252 WHEREAS, the resort features the Cloudland Lodge, scheduled to open in late 2023, a
253 luxury hotel as part of the Curio Collection by Hilton, which will include a 30,000
254 square-foot conference center, a 245 room luxury hotel, a spa and wellness center, two
255 restaurants, and multiple outdoor event spaces and will employ more than 400 hospitality
256 staff, most of whom will be residents of Walker or Dade County; and

257 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Duane Horton, the McLemore Resort Community will
258 soon be known as one of the most desirable and luxurious tourist and golf destinations in the
259 Southeast, which will provide a tremendous stimulus to the economy of Northwest Georgia;
260 and

261 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this excellent corporate citizen be
262 appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in its honor.

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PART XV

264 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of
265 Commissioner Allan Bradford on March 23, 2021; and

266 WHEREAS, Commissioner Bradford was born in Tacoma, Washington, in 1948, and lived
267 a life of service and honor; and

268 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
269 States Army 11th Calvary, valiantly and courageously protecting America during the
270 Vietnam War; and

271 WHEREAS, his service was recognized with a Purple Heart, the Army Award of Valor, and
272 two Bronze Star medals; and

273 WHEREAS, he was elected Dade County Commissioner of District 4 Lookout Mountain in
274 2000, where he was known throughout the community for his love, encouragement, and
275 service to others; and

276 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Commissioner Bradford was an active member
277 of New Salem Baptist Church; and

278 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance were invaluable to numerous organizations,
279 including the Dade County American Legion 106; and

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

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PART XVI

283 WHEREAS, Beatrice W. Rumley, was born in Rising Fawn, Georgia, on January 8, 1932,
284 the beloved daughter of Charles W. and Ruth Hester Williams; and

285 WHEREAS, Ralph H. Rumley was born in Pulaski County, Virginia, on November 21, 1928,
286 and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy,
287 spending most of his military service in Adak, Alaska; and

288 WHEREAS, Mr. Rumley was employed with the Combustion Engineering Company for 28
289 years, and the couple owned and operated the Georgia Game Park just north of Rising Fawn;
290 and

291 WHEREAS, a couple with deep and abiding faith, Mr. Rumley was an active member of
292 Rising Fawn United Methodist Church, and Mrs. Rumley faithfully attended Rising Fawn
293 Baptist Church; and

294 WHEREAS, Mr. Rumley served on the board of education, was very active with school
295 activities and sports, belonged to several organizations, and was a Mason and Shriner; and

296 WHEREAS, Mrs. Rumley was past Worthy Matron of the Order of Eastern Star Dade
297 County Chapter #476 and a charter member of the Tri-State Cattlemen's Association; and

298 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished couple
299 be recognized appropriately by dedicating an interchange in their memory.

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PART XVII

301 WHEREAS, Mayor Ray Crowder is known in Chickamauga, Georgia, for his dedication to
302 public service; and

303 WHEREAS, Mayor Crowder has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours
304 of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as
305 evidenced by his superlative service as a city council member and mayor for over 40 years;
306 and

307 WHEREAS, in addition to his service in city government, Mayor Crowder has demonstrated
308 his commitment to improving the lives of Chickamaugans as the city's fire chief and as a
309 school board member; and

310 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
311 States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting lives during the Korean conflict; and

312 WHEREAS, Mayor Crowder founded Ray Crowder Service, an appliance and
313 heating-and-air-conditioning service business, and he and his brother owned and operated
314 Crowder Supply Company for 36 years; and

315 WHEREAS, his vision and unyielding commitment to others and the citizens of
316 Chickamauga has set the standard for public service; and

317 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
318 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an
319 intersection in his honor.

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PART XVIII

321 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Judge Dan
322 Peace Winn; and

323 WHEREAS, Judge Winn was born in Douglasville, Georgia, on September 19, 1921, and he
324 served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Marine Air
325 Corps; and

326 WHEREAS, during World War II he was deployed to the Marianas Islands and flew night
327 fighter missions out of Guam; and

328 WHEREAS, his bravery and sacrifice were recognized with the Distinguished Flying Cross
329 and Air Medals, and he was presented the Joe T. LaBoon Award by the Marine Corps
330 Coordinating Council of Greater Atlanta; and

331 WHEREAS, he attended Young Harris College on a tennis scholarship and graduated from
332 Emory Law School before joining the Georgia Attorney General's Office; and

333 WHEREAS, in 1948, he moved to Cedartown, Georgia, where he served as City Court
334 Solicitor, Solicitor General, Superior Court Judge, and a Senior Judge; and

335 WHEREAS, his leadership was instrumental to numerous organizations, including the
336 District Attorneys Association, the Council of Superior Court Judges of Georgia, the Board
337 of Governors, American Judges Association, and World Association of Judges Committee
338 on Judicial Processes and Procedures; and

339 WHEREAS, his work with the legislature writing state laws and as a member of a Georgia
340 Constitution Revision Commission which produced the state's current constitution earned
341 him the nickname "Rep. Winn from the 57th"; and

342 WHEREAS, Judge Winn was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and
343 by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to justice;
344 and

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

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PART XIX

348 WHEREAS, Senator Robert Alvin Rowan has long been recognized by the citizens of this
349 state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
350 welfare of the citizens of Georgia and the United States; and

351 WHEREAS, Senator Rowan was born on November 17, 1935, on a farm in Berrien County,
352 Georgia, and he developed and honed his oratorical skills at a young age through his years
353 as a 4-H participant; and

354 WHEREAS, he was elected to the Georgia State Senate in 1962 at the age of 27, where he
355 earned a well-deserved reputation for his ability to use his quick wit and carefully crafted
356 humor to ease tensions and foster compromise; and

357 WHEREAS, during his tenure with the Senate, Senator Rowan championed mental health
358 and special education issues, served as secretary of the Rules Committee, and was dedicated
359 to improving the quality of life and creating opportunities for growth in rural Georgia; and

360 WHEREAS, he was appointed to the Board of Human Resources by Governor George
361 Busbee and the Children's Youth Commission by Governor Joe Frank Harris, and was
362 elected to the Public Service Commission in 1985; and

363 WHEREAS, upon his retirement from public service, Senator Rowan remained active in
364 politics and policy and, as a lobbyist, he worked to build a collaboration between Georgia
365 poultry producers and the Cuban government and consulted with President Jimmy Carter;
366 and

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

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PART XX

371 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law
372 enforcement officers with the untimely passing of Sheriff Jay Vernon Chastain, Sr., on
373 December 8, 1974; and

374 WHEREAS, Sheriff Jay Vernon Chastain, Sr., was born on February 22, 1927, a beloved son
375 of William Joseph Chastain and Nola Jane Shook Chastain; and

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

379 WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction as Towns County Sheriff, and his life was
380 tragically taken in the line of duty while he heroically carried out the difficult responsibilities
381 of his vocation; and

382 WHEREAS, Sheriff Chastain exhibited extraordinary devotion to public service, outstanding
383 loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his duties; and

384 WHEREAS, he will long be remembered for his inspiring commitment to the welfare of
385 others, which stands as a shining example of the positive effect law enforcement
386 professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

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

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PART XXI

390 WHEREAS, PFC Charles E. Day was born on July 14, 1924, in Coffee County, Georgia, and
391 served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army,
392 valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during World War II; for his
393 service and sacrifice to this nation, he received a Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, Army
394 Good Conduct Medal, and World War II Victory Medal; and

395 WHEREAS, PFC Day demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel, witnessing
396 Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological, intellectual, and
397 spiritual needs of others as a minister to Coffee County and the surrounding communities
398 for 57 years; and

399 WHEREAS, SFC Jerome Day joined the Georgia National Guard in 1972 and after obtaining
400 the rank of E-4 he joined the United States Army, wherein he valiantly and courageously
401 protected his fellow Americans in Iraq during Operation Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi
402 Freedom; and

403 WHEREAS, during his years of service and sacrifice to this nation, SFC Day was recognized
404 with a National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, Bronze Star, Meritorious
405 Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good
406 Conduct Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Armed Expeditionary Medal, South West
407 Asia Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon,
408 NATO Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal,
409 and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; and

410 WHEREAS, PFC Day and SFC Day are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and
411 honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United
412 States; and

413 WHEREAS, these individuals represent the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in
414 something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the
415 outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished
416 Americans be honored appropriately by dedicating a bridge in their honor.

417 **PART XXII**

418 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its most kind-hearted and promising leaders of
419 the legal profession with the untimely passing of Judge Ramón Alvarado on July 20, 2020,
420 after his inspiring and heart-breaking battle against cancer; and

421 WHEREAS, Judge Alvarado grew up in a military family, graduated from Northview High
422 School in Michigan, earned his bachelor's degree from Grand Valley State University, and
423 attended law school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; and

424 WHEREAS, he moved to Georgia in 2005 to work in the Coweta County Public Defender's
425 Office, where his passion for providing people with the best defense regardless of their
426 economic means was evident; and

427 WHEREAS, Judge Alvarado continued to demonstrate his commitment to ensuring equal
428 justice to all with his own criminal defense firm, which he opened 2008, and where indigent
429 clients made up roughly half of his caseload throughout the ten years he ran his own practice;
430 and

431 WHEREAS, in January 2019, Judge Alvarado's legal acumen and hard work helped him
432 achieve his life-long dream as he was sworn in as Gwinnett County's first judge of Korean
433 and Hispanic descent; and

434 WHEREAS, Judge Alvarado was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia on his 40th
435 birthday in 2019 and, after achieving eight months of remission and the day after he proudly
436 completed a half-marathon, a routine bone marrow biopsy revealed his cancer had returned;
437 and

438 WHEREAS, despite a stem cell transplant and transfusion lovingly gifted by his sister, Judge
439 Alvarado passed away from medical complications the day after his 100-day post-transplant
440 milestone; and

441 WHEREAS, though his time on the bench was much shorter than expected, Judge Alvarado
442 ensured every voice in his courtroom was heard and coordinated with the county animal
443 shelter to display a weekly slide show of adoptable pets in the courtroom; and

444 WHEREAS, Judge Alvarado will long be remembered for his great love of his wife and
445 dogs, making bad bets, obsessively Swiffering floors, and planning his next meal while in
446 the middle of his current one; and

447 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished jurist,
448 husband, brother, uncle, and friend be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his
449 memory.

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PART XXIII

451 WHEREAS, Mr. Edward "Kip" William Klein III has long been recognized by the citizens
452 of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal
453 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

454 WHEREAS, an attorney from Marietta, Georgia, Mr. Klein served in the General Assembly
455 from 1991 to 1997 and ran for the Republican nomination for Georgia Attorney General in
456 1998; and

457 WHEREAS, he worked closely with United States Senator Johnny Isakson to promote
458 research using select embryonic stem cells in the fight to find a cure for Parkinson's disease;
459 and

460 WHEREAS, Mr. Klein served as a member of the Cobb County Chamber of Commerce, a
461 board member of the Feed the Hungry Foundation, and as a deacon and Sunday school
462 teacher at First Baptist Church of Atlanta; and

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

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

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PART XXIV

469 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished

470 citizens with the passing of Long County's Deputy Sheldon Gordon Whiteman on
471 January 23, 2020; and

472 WHEREAS, Deputy Whiteman began his service with the Long County Sheriff's Department
473 in 2019; and

474 WHEREAS, throughout his career, the quick thinking and good judgment of Deputy
475 Whiteman was instrumental in bringing multiple offenders to justice and keeping harm from
476 others; and

477 WHEREAS, Deputy Whiteman's life was tragically cut short after a vehicle crash during a
478 high speed chase of a fleeing suspect; and

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

482 WHEREAS, he will long be remembered for his inspiring commitment to the welfare of
483 others, which stands as a shining example of the positive effect law enforcement
484 professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

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

487

PART XXV

488 WHEREAS, Judge Emily Pate Powell was born on September 30, 1955, in Richmond,
489 Virginia, the beloved daughter of William Arnold Pate, a Presbyterian minister, and Martha
490 Powell Pate, a nurse; and

491 WHEREAS, Judge Powell graduated from Davidson College in 1977 with the first class of
492 the school that included female students, earning her spot in the "Wild Women of Davidson";
493 and

494 WHEREAS, she earned her law degree from Mercer University and was appointed to serve
495 as a magistrate judge in Gwinnett County shortly thereafter; and

496 WHEREAS, during her over 20 year career on the bench, Judge Powell earned a reputation
497 as a clear thinker and hard worker, as a judge whose strong convictions were supported by
498 meticulous research and careful consideration, and as an equitable, impartial leader whose
499 decisions were governed by the rules of honesty and fair play; and

500 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Judge Powell was an active member of
501 Christ Community Church Montreat in North Carolina and frequently attended 12Stone
502 Church in Lawrenceville, Georgia; and

503 WHEREAS, a creative artist, Judge Powell made everything she touched more beautiful and
504 her talents as a painter, quilter, needlework artist, musician, writer and editor, educator, party
505 planner, interior decorator, and gift giver were greatly admired by her friends and family; and

506 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
507 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in her memory.

508

PART XXVI

509 WHEREAS, Representative Carl Rogers has long been recognized by the citizens of this
510 state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to
511 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

512 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
513 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced
514 dramatically by his superlative service as a member of the Georgia General Assembly for 22
515 years; and

516 WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure with the General Assembly, Representative
517 Rogers served as the chairman of the House Committee on Higher Education and vice
518 chairman of the House Committee on Economic Development; and

519 WHEREAS, Representative Rogers served with honor and distinction with the Georgia
520 General Assembly, and his vision and unyielding commitment to representing the residents
521 of his district set the standard for public service; and

522 WHEREAS, his leadership was recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including
523 Most Influential Legislator by *James Magazine*, Insurance Man of the Year in 1993, Liberty
524 Bell Award in 1999, and Champion of Georgia Cities Award in 2006; and

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

528

PART XXVII

529 WHEREAS, Reverend James "Jimmy" Richard Rogers, Sr., demonstrated his commitment
530 to teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the
531 physical, psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

532 WHEREAS, Reverend Rogers was known throughout the Young Harris valley community
533 as a community pastor who uplifted lives through faith and as a man of great integrity and
534 character; and

535 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Rogers was a source
536 of strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and

537 WHEREAS, one of his proudest accomplishments was the part he played in organizing the
538 first Towns County High School football team; and

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

542

PART XXVIII

543 WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., stands as one of the most prominent
544 Georgians of the 20th Century; and

545 WHEREAS, Reverend King attended public school in Georgia, graduating from high school
546 at the age of 15, and received his bachelor's degree in 1948 from Morehouse College; and

547 WHEREAS, after three years of theological study at Crozer Theological Seminary in
548 Pennsylvania, where he was elected president of the senior class, he was awarded a divinity
549 degree in 1951, and, with a fellowship won at Crozer, he enrolled in graduate studies at
550 Boston University, completing his residence for the doctorate in 1953 and receiving his
551 doctoral degree in 1955; and

552 WHEREAS, in 1957, Reverend King was elected president of the Southern Christian
553 Leadership Conference, and, in the 11 years between 1957 and 1968, he traveled over six
554 million miles and spoke over 2,500 times in support of civil rights and wrote five books as
555 well as numerous articles; and

556 WHEREAS, he led a massive protest in Birmingham, Alabama, that caught the attention of
557 the entire world, providing what he called a coalition of conscience and inspiring his "Letter
558 from a Birmingham Jail," a manifesto of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States; and

559 WHEREAS, Reverend King also planned and participated in numerous protests and
560 demonstrations for the cause of civil rights including the peaceful march on Washington,
561 D.C., of 250,000 people to whom he delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" address at the
562 Lincoln Memorial; and

563 WHEREAS, he was awarded five honorary degrees; was named Man of the Year by *Time*
564 magazine in 1963; and, at the age of 35, was the youngest man to have been awarded the
565 Nobel Peace Prize; and

566 WHEREAS, through his tireless work on behalf of civil rights for all people, he became not
567 only the symbolic leader of African Americans in the United States but also a world figure
568 in the fight for justice for all; and

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

571

PART XXIX

572 WHEREAS, Sheriff Tyson Stephens was highly regarded by the citizens of his community
573 and state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and
574 dedication to the sound principles of law enforcement; and

575 WHEREAS, a native of Emanuel County, Georgia, Sheriff Stephens diligently and
576 conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the
577 betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service
578 as a county commissioner; and

579 WHEREAS, he continued his service as Sheriff of Emanuel County, where he served with
580 honor and distinction for 36 years until his retirement; and

581 WHEREAS, Sheriff Stephens led an exceptional career during his more than three decades
582 of public of service, always putting public safety and the citizens of Emanuel County first,
583 and his inspiring commitment to the welfare of others stands as a shining example of the
584 positive effect law enforcement professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

585 WHEREAS, Sheriff Stephens exhibited extraordinary devotion to public service, outstanding
586 loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his duties and it is
587 abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized
588 appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

589

PART XXX

590 WHEREAS, Mr. Gregory "Greg" Stalls, Sr. was born in Atlanta, Georgia, a beloved son of
591 Bennie J. Kennedy and Alice Esther Stalls; and

592 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Stalls was an active member of New
593 Fellowship Praise Baptist Church; and

594 WHEREAS, his advocacy for Atlanta's youth was evidenced dramatically by his career with
595 the city's Youth Services Division, membership with Economic Opportunity Atlanta, and
596 directorship of the Southern Area Youth Council; and

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

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

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

605

PART XXXI

606 WHEREAS, Mr. N.C. Low, Jr., was born in Talking Rock, Georgia, and his pride of being
607 a life-long resident of the little town was evident every day of his 84 year life; and

608 WHEREAS, Mr. Low attended North Georgia College and chose to serve as a guardian of
609 this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Marines Corps in the Pacific during
610 World War II and continued his service to this country in the Air Force Reserves during the
611 Korean Conflict; and

612 WHEREAS, following his military service, Mr. Low ran a local general store, led a
613 successful pulpwood company, and succeeded in numerous commercial land acquisitions;
614 and

615 WHEREAS, Mr. Low was well known through the community for his sound advice, loyal
616 friendship, and passion for Georgia politics; and

617 WHEREAS, Mr. Low's leadership and guidance were instrumental to numerous
618 organizations, including as chairman of the local democratic party, director of the Jasper
619 Banking Company, board member for Pickens Tech (now Chattahoochee Technical College),
620 and deacon at First Baptist Church of Talking Rock; and

621 WHEREAS, as both the official and unofficial mayor of Talking Rock, Mr. Low was a
622 tireless friend to the people of his community and by the example he made of his life, he
623 made this world a better place in which to live; and

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

626

PART XXXII

627 WHEREAS, Ms. Jovita Moore began her long and impressive career in the news industry
628 with an internship at *The New York Times* and later worked on the air at WMC-TV in
629 Memphis, Tennessee, and KFSM in Fayetteville and Fort Smith, Arkansas; and

630 WHEREAS, a staple of WSB-TV's main anchor desk since 2012, Ms. Moore was cherished
631 immensely by her friends and colleagues for her wonderful heart and charming spirit; and

632 WHEREAS, a resident of Atlanta, Georgia, Ms. Moore mentored students, sat on several
633 boards of directors, and donated innumerable hours of her time and energy to civic
634 associations and nonprofit organizations across metro Atlanta; and

635 WHEREAS, she earned numerous awards and accolades in recognition of her many
636 accomplishments, including several Emmy Awards and an induction into the Silver Circle,
637 one of the most prestigious career awards conferred by The National Academy of Television
638 Arts & Sciences; and

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

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

644

PART XXXIII

645 WHEREAS, Representative Thomas Allen McCall is a rare and treasured soul who has led
646 a life of devoted public service to his local community and the State of Georgia; and

647 WHEREAS, Representative McCall was born on February 14, 1956, to Dillard and
648 Katherine McCall and grew up on a farm in Elbert County, where he learned very early the
649 value of hard work and the inestimable value of common sense; and

650 WHEREAS, after graduating from Elbert County High School, Representative McCall
651 continued his studies at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, Georgia, receiving
652 an agriculture degree, and then graduated from the University of Georgia, receiving a
653 bachelor's degree in agronomy with a focus on animal science; and

654 WHEREAS, his record of service to his community began with the Georgia Farm Bureau in
655 1982, where he served until 1996, and he served in the Georgia House of Representatives
656 from 1994 until 2020, representing the citizens of Elbert, Oglethorpe, and Lincoln counties,
657 as well as portions of Madison, Wilkes, and Columbia counties; and

658 WHEREAS, Representative McCall distinguished himself in the Georgia House of
659 Representatives through the force and clarity of his intellect and profound common sense and
660 his strong leadership capabilities in the role of chairman of the Agriculture and Consumer
661 Affairs Committee; and

662 WHEREAS, during his tenure in the Georgia House of Representatives, Representative
663 McCall received numerous recognitions for his dedication to agriculture and natural
664 resources, including the Georgia Agricultural Hall of Fame, the 4-H Green Jacket Award, the
665 Distinguished Service Award from the Georgia Poultry Federation, the Legislator of the Year

666 Award from many organizations throughout Georgia, and the National Honorary American
667 Future Farmers of America Degree; and

668 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
669 Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his honor.

670

PART XXXIV

671 WHEREAS, the Black Music and Entertainment Walk of Fame is a joint initiative by the
672 Black American Music Association (BAM) and Georgia Entertainment Caucus (GEC); and

673 WHEREAS, with both a national and international appeal, the Black Music and
674 Entertainment Walk of Fame honors iconic individuals and organizations that have impacted
675 Black culture and community; and

676 WHEREAS, the inaugural inductees to the Black Music and Entertainment Walk of Fame
677 include: Donald Lawrence, Snoop Dogg, Tyler Perry, New Edition, Mary J Blige, Yolanda
678 Adams, BeBe and CeCe Winans, Lauryn Hill, Lionel Richie, Bob Marley, Fela Kuti, Cicely
679 Tyson, Ray Charles, Smokey Robinson, Berry Gordy, Quincy D. Jones, Otis Redding, James
680 Brown, Stevie Wonder, Michael Jackson, Usher Raymond IV, Missy Elliot, Outkast, Shirley
681 Caesar, Kirk Franklin, Beyoncé, and Sean Love Combs; and

682 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this groundbreaking initiative be
683 recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in its honor.

684

PART XXXV

685 WHEREAS, Mr. Huie Lawrence Bray was a person of magnanimous strengths, strived to
686 live his life by Jesus's example of kindness toward others, and was known throughout his

687 community in Fayetteville, Georgia, for his knowledge, generosity, honesty, and work ethic;
688 and

689 WHEREAS, Mr. Bray served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the
690 United States Navy during World War II; and

691 WHEREAS, after returning home to civilian life, Mr. Bray grew his own successful business
692 spanning more than 74 years; and

693 WHEREAS, he was dedicated to growing the Fayette County community, serving on
694 numerous local boards and committees, and he lovingly mentored, encouraged, and
695 supported countless people no matter the endeavor; and

696 WHEREAS, Mr. Bray was instrumental to the creation of the Fayette County Fire/EMS
697 Service, and his leadership and guidance were recognized with awards such as the Boy
698 Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award and with his appointment as Volunteer Chief of
699 Fayette County Fire/EMS; and

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

702

PART XXXVI

703 WHEREAS, Mr. Kenneth "Ken" Jason Bennett has long been recognized by the citizens of
704 this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment
705 to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

706 WHEREAS, a native and lifelong resident of Waycross, Georgia, Mr. Bennett was an honor
707 graduate of Ware County High School and a recipient of the 2005 Ware County Educators
708 Scholarship; and

709 WHEREAS, Mr. Bennett's leadership and guidance were instrumental to the Future Farmers
710 of America organization while he served as vice president for the Ware County affiliate, and
711 he was honored by the organization with the prestigious Blue and Gold Award; and

712 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Bennett was a devoted member of
713 Haywood Baptist Church; and

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

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

719

PART XXXVII

720 WHEREAS, Colonel Frank Norton was born in Waycross, Georgia, on May 20, 1943, the
721 beloved son of Frank Norton, Sr., and Margaret Crawley Norton; and

722 WHEREAS, a graduate of Emory at Oxford College and Emory University, Colonel Norton
723 earned a master's degree in business from Central Michigan University and a master's degree
724 in congressional studies from The Catholic University; and

725 WHEREAS, Colonel Norton served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty as a
726 United States Army Ranger instructor before his assignment to Vietnam as a Ranger
727 reconnaissance platoon leader with the 173rd Airborne Brigade; and

728 WHEREAS, a Master Parachutist, Colonel Norton was recognized with more than nine
729 military decorations during his 26 years of service to this nation, including a Purple Heart
730 and three Bronze Stars for Valor; and

731 WHEREAS, Colonel Norton served as Principle Deputy to the Secretary of the Army for
732 United States Senate Liaison, the only Army officer to serve in that position for both the
733 United States Senate and House of Representatives, and served as a staff member to the
734 United States Senate Armed Services Committee and Senator Sam Nunn's liaison to Georgia
735 military bases and committees during the Base Realignment and Closure process; and
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737 WHEREAS, he was a partner in the firm of Hurt, Norton & Associates, an 11 member
738 Washington based company that he co-founded in 1997 and helped develop into a major
739 corporate consulting, lobbying, and marketing firm with more than 45 clients nationwide;
740 and

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

743

PART XXXVIII

744 WHEREAS, the mayors of Acworth, Georgia, have long demonstrated superior values based
745 on community and infrastructure, growth, and vitality; and

746 WHEREAS, the City of Acworth has worked with the Georgia Department of Transportation
747 for nearly 20 years on the improvements to Highway 92, a road which serves as a critical
748 transportation artery for moving traffic between Northwest Cobb County along with rapidly
749 growing Bartow and Paulding counties; and

750 WHEREAS, construction of the new bridge on Highway 92 over Lake Allatoona allows for
751 the City of Acworth to transition the old roadbed into a multi-use pathway that will connect
752 neighborhoods to the city's historic downtown and parks; and

753 WHEREAS, sidewalks along the project will assist in the implementation of the city-wide
754 trail master plan by connecting existing and future trail networks; and

755 WHEREAS, the new bridge allows for the old roadbed to be utilized by recreators to access
756 both Lake Acworth and Lake Allatoona for kayaking, canoeing, fishing, and cycling; and

757 WHEREAS, the road project and bridge will provide more effective and efficient traffic flow
758 to reduce congestion, increase mobility, and encourage nonmotorized forms of
759 transportation; and

760 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that these remarkable and distinguished
761 Georgians be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in their honor.

762

PART XXXIX

763 WHEREAS, Mr. Doug Weathers has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
764 the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
765 of the citizens of Georgia; and

766 WHEREAS, Mr. Weathers served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the
767 United States Army and valiantly and courageously defended Americans as a heavy
768 equipment operator in Germany during the Berlin Air Lift; and

769 WHEREAS, he reenlisted in the United States Air Force in 1951 during the Korean War,
770 serving with the 2nd Bomb Wing in Okinawa; and

771 WHEREAS, in 1954, Mr. Weathers began his career in the television industry with
772 Savannah's local station, WTOG, as a film editor and projectionist, where he quickly learned
773 how to run a camera and was promoted to production manager; and

774 WHEREAS, in 1969, Mr. Weather began his career in front of the camera after filling in last
775 minute for a missing anchor, a position in which he thrived and remained until his retirement
776 from the station as vice president of news in 2001; and

777 WHEREAS, Mr. Weathers was inducted into the Georgia Association of Broadcasters Hall
778 of Fame in 2022 as the association's 100th inductee; and

779 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance have been instrumental to numerous organizations,
780 including the USO, YWCA, Governor's Penal Reform Commission, Tideland, Salvation
781 Army, Armstrong Alumni, 2002 Club, and Sigma Delta Chi; and

782 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
783 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an
784 interchange in his honor.

785

PART XL

786 WHEREAS, Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., was born and raised in Savannah, Georgia, and is
787 a proud product of the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System; and

788 WHEREAS, a graduate of A.E. Beach High School, where he was a member of the school's
789 band and leader of the clarinet section, Mr. Hutchins earned music education degrees from
790 Savannah State College and the Vandercook College of Music in Chicago, Illinois; and

791 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins has dedicated his time, talents, and energy to challenging and
792 inspiring future leaders and musicians as a music teacher and band director for 43 years; and

793 WHEREAS, he is a founder of the Savannah State University Men's Glee Club and has led
794 the marching band for the Savannah United House of Prayer for All People; and

795 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance have been instrumental to numerous organizations,
796 including the National Association for Music Education, Georgia Music Educators
797 Association, Frank Callen Boys and Girls Club Alumni and Friends Association, Thursday
798 Morning Breakfast Club, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Savannah Basketball and Football
799 Officials Association, Beach High School Athletic Hall of Fame Association, Beach High
800 Alumni Class of 1959, Beach High School Alumni Association, and SSU National Alumni
801 Association; and

802 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Hutchins is an active member of Bethel
803 A.M.E. Church, where he is a member of the trustee board, Sons of Allen, Senior Choir, and
804 Committee on Black History; and

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

807

PART XLI

808 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
809 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection of State Route 81 and Tom Miller Road
810 in Barrow County is dedicated as the Isaiah "Coach" Berry Memorial Intersection.

811 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at SR 6/US 278 and
812 SR 101/6BU in Polk County is dedicated as the Sergeant Barry Henderson Memorial
813 Intersection.

814 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 36 from the
815 Butts/Lamar County line to Jones Road in Lamar County is dedicated as the Dr. Benny Tate
816 Parkway.

817 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 94 from
818 State Route 121 to the Georgia/Florida state line in Charlton County, Georgia, is dedicated
819 as the Sheriff Ernest "Dobie" Conner Highway.

820 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. 27 and
821 Alabama Street in Carroll County is dedicated as the Dr. Samuel D. Thomas I Memorial
822 Intersection.

823 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 166 over
824 Dog River Reservoir in Douglas County is dedicated as the Bill Hembree Bridge.

825 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at State Route 75
826 Connector/Appalachian Parkway and NOK Drive in White County is dedicated as the Officer
827 Carol Leigh Ledford Memorial Intersection.

828 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. 19 and
829 Cleveland Street/Glenn Gooch Parkway in Union County is dedicated as the Carlton Colwell
830 Intersection.

831 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 400
832 and Dawson Forest Road in Dawson County is dedicated as the Mike Berg Intersection.

833 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 400
834 and Harmony Church Road/Lumpkin Campground Road in Dawson County is dedicated as
835 the Edna Jo Mize Intersection.

836 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 400 from
837 Mansell Road in Fulton County to State Route 20 in Forsyth County is dedicated as The
838 Technology Corridor.

839 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. 27 and Pearl
840 Drive in Walker County is dedicated as the Doris Greene Mullis Memorial Intersection.

841 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 341
842 and Gordon Street/10th Street in Walker County is dedicated as the Congressman Gordon
843 Lee Memorial Intersection.

844 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 157
845 and State Route 136 in Walker County is dedicated as the McLemore Resort Community
846 Intersection.

847 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 136
848 and State Route 189 in Dade County is dedicated as the Commissioner Allan Bradford
849 Memorial Intersection.

850 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange of Interstate 59 at
851 Deer Head Cove Road in Dade County is dedicated as the Ralph and Beatrice Rumley
852 Memorial Interchange.

853 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 341
854 and Euclid Avenue in Walker County is dedicated as The Honorable Mayor Ray Crowder
855 Intersection.

856 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at State Route 6 and
857 State Route 100 in Polk County is dedicated as the Judge Dan Winn Intersection.

858 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 82 within
859 the city limits of Enigma in Berrien County is dedicated as the Bobby Rowan - Enigma
860 Parkway.

861 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at U.S. 76 and State
862 Route 288 south of the Hiwassee River in Towns County is dedicated as the Sheriff Jay
863 Vernon Chastain, Sr., Memorial Intersection.

864 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 268 over
865 Broxton Creek in Coffee County is dedicated as the PFC Charles E. Day and SFC Jerome
866 Day Bridge.

867 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 20 over the
868 CSX Rail Line south of Reid Street in Gwinnett County is dedicated as the Judge Ramón
869 Alvarado Bridge.

870 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 92 and
871 Sandy Plains Road in Cobb County is dedicated as the Kip Klein Memorial Intersection.

872 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 57 within
873 the boundaries of Long County is dedicated as the Deputy Sheldon Whiteman Memorial
874 Highway.

875 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 20 and
876 East Crogan Street in Gwinnett County is dedicated as the Judge Emily Pate Powell
877 Intersection.

878 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 284 over
879 Lake Lanier in Hall County is dedicated as the Carl Rogers Bridge.

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881 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 66 over
882 Brasstown Creek in Towns County is dedicated as the Reverend James "Jimmy" Richard
883 Rogers, Sr., Bridge.

884 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. 27 within the city
885 limits of Hamilton in Harris County is dedicated as the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial
886 Highway.

887 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. 80 from the city
888 limits of Swainsboro to the city limits of Twin City in Emanuel County, Georgia, is
889 dedicated as the Sheriff Tyson Stephens Memorial Highway.

890 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route
891 166/Langford Parkway over the I-75/I-85/Downtown Connector in Fulton County is
892 dedicated as the Gregory Stalls, Sr., Memorial Bridge.

893 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 136 over
894 Talking Rock Creek in Pickens County is dedicated as the N.C. Low, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

895 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 13 from
896 Interstate 75/Interstate 85 to Peachtree Road in Fulton County, Georgia is dedicated as the
897 Jovita Moore Memorial Highway.

898 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 17 from the
899 southern Elberton city limits (mile marker 9) to the Broad River (mile marker 0) in Elbert
900 County is dedicated as the Representative Thomas Allen McCall Highway.

901 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 3 from Ivan
902 Allen, Jr., Boulevard to Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive in Fulton County, Georgia, is
903 dedicated as the Black Music and Entertainment Walk of Fame Highway.

904 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED the portion of State Route 85 Connector
905 from State Route 16 to State Route 85 in Fayette County, Georgia, is dedicated as the Huie
906 Bray Memorial Highway.

907 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. 1/U.S.
908 23/State Route 4 and South Augusta Avenue in Ware County is dedicated as the Ken Bennett
909 Memorial Intersection.

910 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S.1/Scapa Dryer
911 Road and Fulford Road in Ware County is dedicated as the Colonel Frank Norton Crossing.

912 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 92 over
913 Lake Allatoona in Cobb County is dedicated as the Mayor's Bridge.

914 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 20 from
915 Northside Drive to Joseph E. Lowery Boulevard is dedicated as the HBCU Presidents' HERO
916 Highway.

917 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange of Interstate 516 and
918 U.S. Route 17/Ogeechee Road in Chatham County is dedicated as the Doug Weathers
919 Interchange.

920 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. Route 17 east of
921 Red Gate Farms Road over the CSX Rail Line in Chatham County is dedicated as the
922 Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., Bridge.

923 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the fifteenth undesignated paragraph
924 of Part XVI of Senate Resolution 39, approved May 10, 2021 (Ga. L. 2021, p. 897), is hereby
925 repealed.

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

929 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
930 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of
931 Transportation; to Dr. Benny Tate, Sheriff Ernest "Dobie" Conner, Representative Bill
932 Hembree, Mr. Mike Berg, Mrs. Edna Jo Mize, the McLemore Resort Community, The
933 Honorable Mayor Ray Crowder; Representative Carl Rogers, Representative Thomas Allen
934 McCall, the Black Music and Entertainment Walk of Fame; Mr. Doug Weathers, and
935 Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., and to the families of Mr. Isaiah Berry, Sergeant Barry
936 Henderson, Dr. Samuel D. Thomas I, Officer Carol Leigh Ledford, Representative Carlton
937 H. Colwell, Mrs. Doris Greene Mullis, Congressman Gordon Lee, Commissioner Allan
938 Bradford, Ralph and Beatrice Rumley, Judge Dan Peace Winn, Senator Robert Alvin Rowan,
939 Sheriff Jay Vernon Chastain, Sr., PFC Charles E. Day and SFC Jerome Day, Judge Ramón
940 Alvarado, Mr. Edward "Kip" William Klein III, Deputy Sheldon Gordon Whiteman, Judge
941 Emily Pate Powell, Reverend James "Jimmy" Richard Rogers, Sr., Reverend Dr. Martin
942 Luther King, Jr., Sheriff Tyson Stephens, Mr. Gregory "Greg" Stalls, Sr., Mr. N.C. Low, Jr.,
943 Ms. Jovita Moore, Mr. Huie Lawrence Bray, Mr. Kenneth "Ken" Jason Bennett, and Colonel
944 Frank Norton.

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PART XLII

946 This resolution shall become effective as law upon its approval by the Governor or upon its
947 becoming law without such approval.

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PART XLIII

949 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this resolution are repealed.