A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, William Walker Walden was the first postmaster ever appointed to serve the Town of Commissioner, Georgia, and served in that capacity for eleven years, from 1883 to 1894. In 1894, when the Town of Commissioner was changed to "McIntyre," the said William Walker Walden was appointed to serve as postmaster for the Town of McIntyre, in which position he served for seventeen years, being succeeded by his son, Henry A. Walden, and thereafter the office of postmaster remained in the same family for fifty-nine years; and

WHEREAS, the wife of the said William Walker Walden, was sister to General W. J. Bush, who is still living at Fitzgerald, Georgia at the advanced age of 107 years, the said W. J. Bush being the last living Confederate soldier of all the thousands who went from Georgia to serve in the Army of Northern Virginia in the dreadful days of the Sixties; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Department has built a new bridge at McIntyre, near the spot where the Walden home stood and where they operated the post office, it is truly fitting and proper that this bridge be a memorial to keep alive the memory of these two great citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the new bridge at McIntyre be named and designated as the "Walden Bridge" in memory and honor of Sallie Bush Walden and William Walker Walden.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper authorities are hereby empowered and directed to so designate said bridge and erect suitable markers thereon.

Approval Date: Approved February 6, 1952.