

House Resolution 171 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Smith of the 129th

A RESOLUTION

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

2 **PART I**

3 WHEREAS, Cason and Virginia Callaway founded Callaway Gardens in 1952 to conserve
4 the native flora and fauna of their beloved Pine Mountain region of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, almost 55 years later, millions of visitors have learned important concepts and
6 practical measures to preserve the land, water, plants, and animals that surround us; and

7 WHEREAS, the Cason Callaway Memorial Forest on SR 116 West has recently been
8 designated a federally protected forest legacy and the Callaways' log home on SR 116 West
9 is on the Georgia Registry of Historic Homes; and

10 WHEREAS, President Franklin Roosevelt was a guest of the Callaways in their home and
11 at Blue Springs, a natural cold spring that the Callaway family has kept in its natural state for
12 almost 100 years; and

13 WHEREAS, to honor the Callaways' many contributions to keeping Georgia's Pine
14 Mountain ecosystem preserved and open for all Georgians to enjoy, it is only fitting that a
15 highway should be named in their honor.

16 **PART II**

17 WHEREAS, the veterans of service in the United States military have given of their time,
18 energy, and sometimes their lives, to secure the blessings of freedom for all the citizens of
19 this great country; and

20 WHEREAS, the sacrifices these great men and women have made to protect our nation
21 should never be taken for granted or allowed to fade into distant memory; and

1 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that a lasting tribute to memorialize the unselfish patriotism of
2 these special men and women should be created to perpetuate the memory of their great
3 sacrifices to protect our freedom.

4 **PART III**

5 WHEREAS, Mr. C.C. Perkins, a native of Carroll County, was born on November 13, 1925,
6 to Walter R. Perkins, Sr., and Bonnie Morris Perkins; and

7 WHEREAS, he was a Staff Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps and served his
8 country during World War II in the Pacific Theater; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Perkins also served his state as a legislator at the age of 25; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Perkins was a lawyer who founded the Perkins Law Firm in 1952, and he
11 built his practice by representing injured workers even though he could have made more
12 money representing wealthier clients; and

13 WHEREAS, he was a member of the VFW and the American Legion and at one time was
14 the manager of the Veteran's Service Center; and

15 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Northside Independent Methodist Church and a past
16 member of the Carrollton Optimist Club; and

17 WHEREAS, although he was known as a fighter, he had a softer side that cried when the cat
18 was run over and he could not bring himself to spank a child; and

19 WHEREAS, he lived a life that sets an example for all who follow in his footsteps.

20 **PART IV**

21 WHEREAS, Clint H. Bryant was born January 13, 1910, in a farmhouse on the road which
22 was later to be known as Georgia Highway 2, and he lived in this house until his death on
23 August 20, 2004, at the age of 94; and

24 WHEREAS, he was the son of Onie Evans and George Washington Bryant, who were among
25 the pioneering families who settled northern Murray County in the middle to latter part of
26 the 1800's, and the grandson of Joseph John Bryant, who once owned a large tract of land
27 within the area, including several farms along the Conasauga River; and

1 WHEREAS, as a boy, Mr. Bryant became familiar with the Conasauga River and its crossing
2 places, fishing and swimming in its waters and riding in the wagon across Wheat's Ford on
3 his way to church; and

4 WHEREAS, as he grew, he learned to appreciate his family's legacy and connection with the
5 surrounding fertile land and became a successful farmer, raising hogs and cattle and
6 harvesting soy beans, corn, and cotton on his river bottom farm, which received the Georgia
7 Centennial Farm award in 1993; and

8 WHEREAS, in the mid-1950's, Mr. Bryant donated nearly eight acres of his beloved farm
9 as right of way for the building of Georgia Highway 2, and he allowed men from the road
10 crew to stay in a house on his property and would regularly transport them to the store in
11 Beaverdale for lunch; and

12 WHEREAS, he was sitting on the porch of the old Beaverdale store the day that the old
13 bridge collapsed from the weight of road machinery, and he helped to transport an injured
14 man to safety and volunteered to help retrieve machinery and parts from the river bed as part
15 of a "rescue crew"; and

16 WHEREAS, in his later years, Mr. Bryant built a dock on the Conasauga River which
17 became the very popular neighborhood swimming hole, now known as "Bryant's Bluff," and
18 is used by the community, its churches, local Boy Scout troops, and 4-H groups for picnics,
19 baptisms, family reunions, recreation, and community service projects; and

20 WHEREAS, throughout his life, Mr. Bryant was a good neighbor and friend who was the
21 first to volunteer a helping hand to those in need and who provided generations of young
22 farmers with careful and knowledgeable advice; and

23 WHEREAS, through his kindness and generosity, Mr. Bryant improved the quality of life
24 for the citizens of his community and has left a lasting mark on the history of Murray
25 County.

26 **PART V**

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Walter E. Elder III was born on November 26, 1938, in Barrow County,
28 Georgia, the son of the late Ernest and Sadie Hill Elder; and

1 WHEREAS, he was a devoted son, husband, father, grandfather, and uncle, a church elder
2 at Chapel Christian Church, and a member of the Georgia Army National Guard; and

3 WHEREAS, he served as chairman of the Barrow County Board of Commissioners from
4 January, 1997, to the time of his death on February 6, 2004; and

5 WHEREAS, he was a dedicated citizen and leader of Barrow County, and he served the
6 citizens well.

7 **PART VI**

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Tom Scott has long been recognized by the citizens of DeKalb County for
9 the vital role he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
10 of the citizens of Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, he faithfully represented the citizens of District 43 with utmost dedication and
12 ability as a member of the Senate for eight years during which time he authored SB 372, the
13 Act which made the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a state holiday; and

14 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
15 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced by his 14
16 years of superlative service as tax commissioner of DeKalb County; and

17 WHEREAS, in his capacity as tax commissioner, he was the epitome of forward thinking and
18 modernization as he reshaped DeKalb's tax office into the most computerized and
19 technologically advanced tax collection agency in this state; and

20 WHEREAS, his creative leadership and his thoughtful sensitivity on complex social and
21 political matters, and especially his ability to work behind the scenes to build coalitions and
22 consensus, functioning as the glue holding DeKalb County together in the face of divisive
23 forces, received the approval and applause of his peers who held him in such high regard;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
26 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of his
27 community have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

1 WHEREAS, he was a loving husband to his beloved wife, Jacquie, for 37 years, the devoted
2 father of John-Thomas, Christopher, and Susannah, and grandfather of Parker; and

3 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with a reputation for integrity,
4 intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and it is only fitting and proper that an interchange
5 should be named in his honor.

6 **PART VII**

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Edgar Stamey was well known and well respected in the Batesville
8 community; and

9 WHEREAS, after spending his whole life in the Batesville area, he passed away in the fall
10 of 2003; and

11 WHEREAS, he spent much of his time working as the caretaker of the Baptist church
12 cemetery, and he also owned and operated the Batesville General Store; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Stamey and his wife helped to establish the Batesville Fire Department, and
14 at the age of 70, he was the oldest person in the State of Georgia to earn firefighter
15 certification; and

16 WHEREAS, he was the chaplain of the Batesville Fire Department from 1985 until his
17 retirement in 1992; and

18 WHEREAS, this outstanding citizen lived a life of service to his church and his community
19 and showed the way for others to give back to the communities in which they lived.

20 **PART VIII**

21 WHEREAS, news of the passing of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler, late of Bulloch County, is
22 received with deep regret by this body; and

23 WHEREAS, the life led by this distinguished gentleman of 81 years rendered his name dear
24 to the hearts of his family and many friends alike; and

25 WHEREAS, Dr. Bohler attended Register Elementary School and graduated from Register
26 High School as valedictorian. He attended North Georgia College in Dahlonega,
27 Birmingham Southern, and the University of Georgia and was a graduate of Georgia

1 Southern College in 1950 and the Medical College of Georgia in 1954. Dr. Bohler began his
2 family medical practice on July 1, 1955 in Brooklet; and

3 WHEREAS, he was a veteran of the United States Army Air Corps 20th Bomber Group,
4 serving during WW II in the Pacific Theatre. He received a Purple Heart and Air Medal as
5 a gunner on the B29 Bomber. Dr. Bohler was a member of the Brooklet United Methodist
6 Church, a past chairman of the Administrative Board of the church and a member of the Jack
7 Lee Sunday School Class. He was a past president of the Brooklet Kiwanis Club and a
8 member of the American Legion Post 90 and the Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce.
9 He served as team physician for Southeast Bulloch High School and was elected to the SEB
10 Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, Theta Kappa Psi
11 Fraternity, Forest Heights Country Club, the Chatham Club, Amelia Island Plantation Club,
12 1906 Society, and the Georgia Southern University Athletic Boosters Club and was on the
13 Georgia Southern Foundation Board of Directors; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Bohler was the recipient of the Deen Day Smith Service to Mankind Award
15 in 1991 and the Deen Day Smith Lifetime Achievement Award in 1993. He had been on the
16 medical staff of Bulloch Memorial Hospital since 1955 and was the first physician on the
17 Bulloch Memorial Hospital Authority, a past president of the Ogeechee River Medical
18 Society, past president of the Medical Association of Georgia, chairman of the Georgia
19 Delegation to the American Medical Association, and a member of the Southern Medical
20 Association as well as many other organizations. In 1979 Dr. Bohler was honored with a
21 "Doctors Day" by the City of Brooklet for 25 years of community service. He was
22 recognized as "Citizen of the Year" in 1997 by the Statesboro Rotary Club. He was
23 respected and loved by all who knew him; and

24 WHEREAS, while in life he commanded the esteem of his fellow citizens, in his death we
25 mingle our sympathies with the grief of his family and friends, and it is fitting and proper that
26 he be honored by this state in the community in which he lived.

27 **PART IX**

28 WHEREAS, news of the passing of Coach Erskine "Erk" Russell, late of Statesboro and
29 Georgia Southern University, is received with deep regret by this body; and

30 WHEREAS, the life led by this distinguished gentleman of 80 years rendered his name dear
31 to the hearts of his family, his many friends, and fans alike; and

1 WHEREAS, Coach Russell received a bachelor's and master's degree from Auburn
2 University where he played football, basketball, baseball, and tennis, earning ten varsity
3 letters, and he remains Auburn's last four-sport letterman; and

4 WHEREAS, in 17 years as defensive coordinator for the University of Georgia, Coach
5 Russell's tough "Junkyard Dogs" defenses were instrumental in the Bulldogs winning four
6 SEC titles and one National Championship, and he became synonymous with Bulldog
7 football; and

8 WHEREAS, Coach Russell left the University of Georgia in 1981 to resurrect the Georgia
9 Southern University football program, where he served as head coach of the Eagles from
10 1981 through 1989; and

11 WHEREAS, Coach Russell's remarkable record of 83-22-1 and three Division 1-AA
12 National Championships at Georgia Southern University established him as one of America's
13 winningest coaches, averaging 10.4 wins per season; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach Russell was honored twice as the Kodak-American Football Coaches
15 Association 1-AA "National Coach of the Year," twice as the Kodak-American Football
16 Coaches Association 1-AA "Regional Coach of the Year," five times as "Coach of the Year"
17 by the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame, once as the USA Today Georgia "Coach of the Year,"
18 and again by USA Today as Georgia "Coach of the Decade," as well as receiving many other
19 awards, and he was inducted into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame in 1987; and

20 WHEREAS, much of the growth and development of Georgia Southern University and the
21 Bulloch County region have been greatly attributed to the successes of Coach Russell, and
22 on January 25, 2007, the Statesboro-Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce posthumously
23 named Erk Russell the "Businessman of the Century"; and

24 WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Jean Farmer Russell of Statesboro; two sons and
25 daughters-in-law, Rusty and Pam Russell of Statesboro and Jay and Ida Russell of LaGrange;
26 and ten grandchildren, Brian Faros of Kansas City, Jill Fawcett and Angie Faros of Frisco,
27 Texas, Audrey and Charlee Russell of Statesboro, Mandy Russell of LaGrange, Davis
28 Russell of Valdosta, Murphy Russell of Woodstock, and Henry Hughes and Fred Hughes of
29 LaGrange; and

30 WHEREAS, the way Coach Russell lived his life, reflected in his motto "Just Do Right,"

1 served to influence the morals and ethics of all who knew him, most especially those who
2 played for him.

3 **PART X**

4 WHEREAS, the spirit of teamwork and regionalism creates a synergy of economic
5 development through tourism; and

6 WHEREAS, the communities in the GA 400 corridor are committed to building their
7 economy through the creation of a regional coalition; and

8 WHEREAS, common goals of friendship, environmental improvement, quality of life, and
9 sustainable economic development are the priorities of the communities within the GA 400
10 corridor; and

11 WHEREAS, these goals can be more easily obtained by working together as partners to
12 achieve these lofty ideals; and

13 WHEREAS, tourism is one of the largest economic contributors to the tax base of the
14 counties, cities, and communities in the GA 400 corridor.

15 **PART XI**

16 WHEREAS, Dick Chambers was born January 13, 1924, in Colquitt County to Nellie
17 Alderman Chambers Wilson and John Jovus Chambers; and

18 WHEREAS, he was a retired quality control manager for Bridgeport Brass Company and he
19 served as the Mayor of Funston for 49 years; and

20 WHEREAS, Mayor Chambers was a WWII veteran and was an ammunition bearer for a
21 machine gun squadron that fought in Europe from December 1944 through July 1945 as part
22 of Company G, 38th Infantry; he received the Bronze Star, the Good Conduct Medal, and
23 many other awards for his distinguished service; and

24 WHEREAS, he was a life-long member of the Funston First United Methodist Church where
25 he served as trustee, steward, and chairman of the board, and he also served on the board of
26 the Southwest Georgia Rural Development Board in Camilla, Georgia; and

27 WHEREAS, Mayor Chambers was most proud of the creation of the volunteer fire

1 department, the installation of the water system in Funston, and the construction of a new
2 city hall; and

3 WHEREAS, he was married to Bettie Fisher Chambers and they had two children, seven
4 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren; and

5 WHEREAS, he was a kind and gentle soul who loved to travel and spend time with his
6 friends and family.

7 **PART XII**

8 WHEREAS, Sgt. David Samuel Collins was stationed out of Fort Campbell, Kentucky,
9 serving in Iraq and was a member of the United States Army's 101st Airborne Division, 1st
10 Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, and 4th Brigade Combat Team; and

11 WHEREAS, he lost his life in Iraq on April 9, 2006, while bravely serving his country; and

12 WHEREAS, Sgt. Collins was 24 years old at the time of his death; and

13 WHEREAS, he grew up just beyond the intersection of SR 515 and Philadelphia Road in
14 Pickens County; and

15 WHEREAS, Sgt. Collins is survived by his wife, Mara, two young children, James and
16 Elizabeth, and his parents, Sammy Collins and Lynn Dean; and

17 WHEREAS, this courageous soldier, an American patriot, volunteered to confront the
18 dangers, privations, and discomforts of wartime service and, in the name of humanity, strove
19 to keep the peace in Iraq with fortitude and steadfast resolve, making us, as a nation, truly
20 proud; and

21 WHEREAS, all Americans owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women of our armed
22 forces who risk their lives in the defense of freedom, securing the blessings of liberty for this
23 nation and other peoples of the world.

24 **PART XIII**

25 WHEREAS, Ed Echols was born in Forsyth County, Georgia, on December 28, 1913; and

26 WHEREAS, he was an entrepreneur who owned the Bishop Brothers Auto Auction and

1 founded Echols Brothers House Movers; and

2 WHEREAS, he served three terms as a county commissioner for Clayton County, Georgia,
3 and was a board member of the Clayton County Water Authority; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Echols was a farmer and rancher in Henry County commencing in 1943 and
5 was the owner of the Echols Dairy Farm from 1951 to 1973; and

6 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Board of Trustees for the Salem Baptist Church; and

7 WHEREAS, he was the father of five children, all of whom live in Henry County;
8 grandfather of 13 children, 12 of whom live in Henry County; and great-grandfather of 32
9 children; and

10 WHEREAS, this outstanding citizen lived a life of service to his church and his community
11 and helped his communities adapt and prosper in times of fast moving changes.

12 **PART XIV**

13 WHEREAS, Kelley L. Courtney was born and raised on Barfield Road in Bibb County,
14 Georgia, and never left home until he and his brother Donnie joined the United States Marine
15 Corps in 1998; and

16 WHEREAS, Kelley L. Courtney rose to the rank of sergeant and was an intelligence officer
17 who was assigned from the 3rd Intelligence Battalion of the III Marine Expeditionary Force
18 to augment the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit in Iraq and served as a counterintelligence
19 and human intelligence specialist; and

20 WHEREAS, on October 30, 2004, Sgt. Courtney was killed in action in Fallujah, Iraq; and

21 WHEREAS, Sgt. Courtney has been recognized by the Marines for the vital role he played
22 in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the protection and welfare of the citizens
23 of this nation by dedicating a building in his honor at Camp Hansen, Okinawa; and

24 WHEREAS, Sgt. Courtney diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his
25 time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community, state, and nation; and

26 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience

1 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of his
2 nation earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

3 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
4 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and it is only fitting and proper that an
5 interchange should be named in his honor.

6 **PART XV**

7 WHEREAS, Billy Lancaster lived his life with a passion for the land and for forestry; and

8 WHEREAS, he also had an equal passion for working with the youth of Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, he was a strong believer in the stewardship ethic expected of landowners and
10 foresters; and

11 WHEREAS, he was a strong supporter of the Georgia Forestry Association and its important
12 role in protecting the right of landowners and foresters to practice good forestry
13 management; and

14 WHEREAS, the Society of American Foresters' Youth Camp founded in 1989 by Billy
15 Lancaster was renamed the Billy Lancaster Forestry Youth Camp in 2003; and

16 WHEREAS, Billy Lancaster's passion for life was contagious, and those who knew him and
17 had the privilege to be around him were blessed; and

18 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that his memory be perpetuated for generations to come.

19 **PART XVI**

20 WHEREAS, Nathan and James Simmons were Georgians and brothers who proudly and
21 courageously served their country when called upon; and

22 WHEREAS, Nathan B. Simmons was born on June 10, 1929, in Appling County, Georgia;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, he enlisted in the United States Army, and rose to the rank of Sergeant First
25 Class; and

1 WHEREAS, he was awarded numerous honors and medals, including the Army
2 Commendation medal, Bronze Star medal for meritorious service in connection with military
3 operations against a hostile force, Vietnam Service medal, National Defense Service medal,
4 and the Soldier's Medal for pulling a panic-stricken soldier from a raging stream; and

5 WHEREAS, he was killed in action in Vietnam on May 12, 1969; and

6 WHEREAS, James Q. Simmons was born on July 22, 1930, in Nicholls, Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, he enlisted in the United States Army and rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant
8 while serving his country in Japan, Korea, and Vietnam; and

9 WHEREAS, he was awarded numerous honors and medals, including the Bronze Star,
10 Purple Heart, Army of Occupation Medal, Korean Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal,
11 Sharpshooter Badge with Rifle Bar, and the Parachutist Badge – Master; and

12 WHEREAS, these courageous soldiers, in the spirit of the American patriot, confronted the
13 dangers, privations, and discomforts of wartime service with steadfast resolve, making us as
14 a nation truly proud; and

15 WHEREAS, all Americans owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women of our armed
16 forces who risk their lives in the defense of freedom and to secure the blessings of liberty for
17 this nation and other peoples of the world.

18 **PART XVII**

19 WHEREAS, the late Charles Cowart was born in Arlington, Georgia, in 1909, and lived there
20 all of his life; and

21 WHEREAS, he served the public as county commissioner in Calhoun County for 37 years,
22 including 32 years as chairman. During those years, he made numerous trips to Atlanta to
23 work first-hand with legislators and state department heads to find ways to improve Calhoun
24 County; and

25 WHEREAS, he was always active in his church, Arlington United Methodist, holding
26 various positions, most notably as chairman of the Board of Trustees for many years; and he
27 belonged to several civic organizations; and

1 WHEREAS, he and Mary Martin were married in 1934; and

2 WHEREAS, the late Mary Martin Cowart was born in Blakely, Georgia, in 1908; her family
3 moved to Arlington shortly thereafter, and she lived the rest of her life in Arlington; and

4 WHEREAS, she was very much involved in the work that brought the hospital to Arlington
5 in the mid-1950s, and she then became a charter member of the Hospital Board, where she
6 served as chairwoman for many years; during this same period of time, she worked tirelessly
7 with many others to help Arlington become a Better Hometown community; and

8 WHEREAS, she always had a deep concern for the underprivileged, and she showed this
9 concern during the many years that she worked for DFACS in Calhoun and Early counties
10 and then later as manager of the Arlington Housing Authority; and

11 WHEREAS, she was a lifelong member of the Arlington United Methodist Church where
12 she taught adult Sunday School classes for many years, and served in several other positions
13 on the administrative board of the church.

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PART XVIII

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 GEORGIA that the portion of SR 116 West between SR 219 and Hamilton, in Harris County,
17 is dedicated as the Cason and Virginia Callaway Conservation Highway, to be known as the
18 Callaway Conservation Highway.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body dedicate the portion of SR 16
20 from its intersection with Bankhead Highway north to the Haralson County line, in Carroll
21 County, as the Veterans Memorial Highway.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 16 from the city limits of Mt. Zion to
23 Mr. C.C. Perkins's house at 2994 Mt. Zion Road, between Bowdon and Carrollton, be
24 dedicated as the C.C. Perkins Memorial Highway.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bridge by which SR 2 crosses over the Conasauga
26 River at Beaverdale is hereby dedicated as the Clint H. Bryant Memorial Bridge.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the interchange of Georgia Highway 8 and Midland
28 Avenue in Barrow County is hereby dedicated as the Walter E. "Eddie" Elder Interchange

1 in honor of the memory of this distinguished Georgian.

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the interchange located at the intersection of Memorial
3 Drive and I-285 in DeKalb County is dedicated as the Tom Scott Interchange.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the intersection of SR 255 and SR 197 in Habersham
5 County is dedicated as the Edgar Stamey Memorial Interchange.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this state expresses regret at the passing of Dr. Charles
7 Emory Bohler and honors his memory by designating State Route 26 (U.S. 80) from the
8 eastern city limits of Brooklet to the eastern city limits of Statesboro as the Dr. Charles
9 Emory Bohler Highway.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this state expresses regret at the passing of Coach
11 Erskine "Erk" Russell and honors his memory by designating State Route 26 (U.S. 80) from
12 its intersection with U.S. 25 in the community of Hopeulikit to the eastern city limits of
13 Statesboro as the Erk Russell Highway.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the GA 400 corridor be dedicated as the Hospitality
15 Highway.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 37 within the city limits of Funston,
17 Georgia, in Colquitt County, be dedicated as the Edward Sidney "Dick" Chambers Memorial
18 Highway.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the intersection of SR 515 and Philadelphia Road in
20 Pickens County be dedicated as the SGT David Samuel Collins Memorial Interchange.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 20 from the North McDonough city
22 limit to East Lake Road, in Henry County, be dedicated as the Ed Echols Memorial Highway.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the intersection of Hartley Bridge Road and I-75 in Bibb
24 County is dedicated as the Sgt. Kelley L. Courtney Interchange.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 42 from the City of Forsyth to the
26 entrance to Indian Springs State Park, in Butts and Monroe counties, be dedicated as the
27 Billy Lancaster Memorial Highway.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bridge on SR 221 between the city limits of Douglas
2 and SR 206 be dedicated as the SFC Nathan B. Simmons and SSGT James Q. Simmons
3 Memorial Bridge.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 45 Alternate in Calhoun County from
5 the intersection of SR 45, SR 62, SR 216, and Cedar Street to the junction of SR 45 Alternate
6 with SR 45 be designated as the Charles and Mary Cowart Bypass.

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

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
11 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Department of
12 Transportation, to the Callaway family, to the Board of Commissioners of Carroll County,
13 to the family of C.C. Perkins, to the family of Mr. Clint H. Bryant, to the family of Mr.
14 Walter E. Elder III, to the family of Mr. Tom Scott, to the family of Mr. Edgar Stamey, to
15 the family of Dr. Charles Emory Bohler, to the family of Coach Erskine "Erk" Russell, to the
16 family of Edward Sidney "Dick" Chambers, to the family of Sgt. David Samuel Collins, to
17 the family of Mr. Ed Echols, to the family of Sgt. Kelley L. Courtney, to the family of Billy
18 Lancaster, to the families of Nathan B. Simmons and James Q. Simmons, and to the family
19 of Charles and Mary Cowart.