## ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA 2021

Act 299

House Resolution 144, Part IV & 4<sup>th</sup> Paragraph of Part XXI Effective May 10, 2021

## JIMMY WILBANKS HIGHWAY — DESIGNATED.

## A RESOLUTION

To dedicate certain portions of the state highway system; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of Mayor Jimmy Wilbanks on January 3, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a native of Dacula, Georgia, Mayor Wilbanks was a graduate of the Gwinnett County Public School System and the University of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Wilbanks was first elected to serve the citizens of Dacula in 1971, ably and adeptly serving for eight years; and

WHEREAS, his leadership and vision were called upon again in 2002 when he was re-elected as the mayor of Dacula, and he was serving his third term at the time of his passing; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Wilbanks served as president of the Gwinnett Municipal Association in 2007 and served as a member of the organization's Legislative Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Wilbanks also served the people of this state through his employment with the Georgia Emergency Management Agency Disaster Relief for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mayor Wilbanks was an active member and leader at Hebron Baptist Church; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA, that the portion of State Route 8 in Gwinnett County, from the Gwinnett-Barrow County line, to Cedars Road, is dedicated as the Jimmy Wilbanks Highway.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this Resolution available for distribution to the Department of Transportation and to the family of Mayor Jimmy Wilbanks.

This Resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.