

ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA 2022

Act 807

House Resolution 820, Part XX

Effective May 2, 2022

MAYNARD JACKSON INTERCHANGE — DESIGNATED.

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing Mayor Maynard Jackson and dedicating an interchange in his honor; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Mayor Maynard Jackson has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jackson was born on March 23, 1938, in Dallas, Texas, the beloved son of Maynard H. Jackson, Sr., a minister, and Irene Dobbs Jackson, a French professor; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Morehouse College, Mayor Jackson earned his law degree at North Carolina Central University and worked as an attorney for the National Labor Relations Board and a legal services firm in the late 1960s; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jackson was elected vice mayor of Atlanta in 1969, a role later modified to be the president of the city council, and in 1973 he was elected mayor of Atlanta, the first Black mayor of a large southern city; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as mayor, he increased participation of minority owned businesses in municipal contracts, facilitated the construction of a new terminal at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport, transformed the police department, and promoted involvement of the public in neighborhood planning; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an interchange in his honor.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA, that the interchange at I-75/I-85 and SR-10 in Fulton County, is dedicated as the Maynard Jackson Interchange.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Maynard Jackson Interchange and remove any signs in order to effectuate the purpose of 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 family of Mayor Maynard Jackson and to the Department of Transportation.