

ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA 1997

Act 55

House Resolution 268, Part I

Effective April 29, 1997

ALLEN B. FULFORD BRIDGE — DESIGNATED.

A RESOLUTION

Dedicating the Allen B. Fulford Bridge; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Mr. Allen B. Fulford passed away on March 30, 1996; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fulford, began his long and distinguished career with the Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Georgia on March 16, 1952, as assistant county agent in Polk County, and he served as county agent in Dooly County from May 17, 1957, to July 16, 1976, when he was appointed extension agronomist -- cotton at the Rural Development Center in Tifton, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, as county agent in Dooly County, he quickly became known for his strong leadership in cotton, peanut, and livestock production, and he helped Dooly County become Georgia's leading cotton producer at a time when state-wide cotton acreage was declining, and he remained a strong advocate of cotton throughout his career, remaining at the forefront of new cotton technology by pioneering such innovations as precision row subsoil bedding and post-directed herbicide sprays; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed extension agronomist -- cotton at a time when cotton production had almost disappeared from the state, and he encouraged the extension cotton team, county agents, and farmers to keep the faith with cotton, and he promoted better crop management with lower plant populations, fast fruiting varieties, and better nitrogen management with petiole nitrite monitoring, and his confidence in and love for cotton was ultimately rewarded by the resurgence of cotton production in the state; and

WHEREAS, it is only right and fitting that the memory of Mr. Fulford be honored and memorialized.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA, that the members of this body honor the life of Mr. Allen B. Fulford and express regret at his passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the bridge on Highway 90 in Dooly County, over the Sandy Mount Creek, be designated as the Allen B. Fulford Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to place 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 transmit appropriate copies of this Resolution to the Department of Transportation and Mrs. Kay Bush Fulford.