

ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA 2016

Act 535

House Resolution 1052, Part XXXVI

Effective May 3, 2016

BILLY DILWORTH MEMORIAL HIGHWAY — DESIGNATED.

A RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, Mr. William Douglas "Billy" Dilworth was known throughout his community and this state for his journalistic integrity, professionalism, and dedication to entertaining and informing his audience; and

WHEREAS, a native of the Red Hill community of Franklin County, Mr. Dilworth made a name for himself in media, working for years in the newspaper, radio, and television industries; and

WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia, where he wrote for the Red & Black student newspaper; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dilworth wrote news and features for the Athens Daily News and worked as a writer for the Anderson Independent in South Carolina and the Atlanta Times; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, he became the host of The Billy Dilworth Show which aired on WNEG-TV for more than 20 years and entertained with a mixture of music and interviews; and

WHEREAS, The Billy Dilworth Show was the longest running live television broadcast in the country; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished American 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 59 in Franklin County, from State Route 17, to Highway 164/Bold Springs Road, is dedicated as the Billy Dilworth Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities 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 the family of Mr. William Douglas "Billy" Dilworth.