

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

Act 807

House Resolution 820, Part XXVII & 27th Paragraph of Part XXIX

Effective May 2, 2022

ETHEL OLIVER “GRANNY” ROGERS MEMORIAL INTERSECTION — DESIGNATED.

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life of Mrs. Ethel Oliver Rogers and dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ethel Oliver Rogers was born on July 2, 1922, in Cohutta, Georgia, the beloved daughter of George Washington and Sarah Jane Oliver and was called home to be with the Lord on January 6, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rogers was a lifelong resident of Cohutta, where she operated two general stores on Wolfe Street with her daughters, Mary Frances and Virginia, and her sister Etta Oliver Wolfe until Etta's passing in 1975, from the late 1930s until the late 1970s; and

WHEREAS, the General Merchandise Store was a gathering place for members of the community and remains in the hearts and minds of many Cohutta residents through stories of the sisters "Etter" and Ethel, simple times spent in fellowship, and the store's famous hand-dipped ice cream; and

WHEREAS, along with her love of gardening and mowing her own yard for as long as her health would allow, Mrs. Rogers also held chief among her joys being known as "Granny Rogers" to her eight grandchildren and others, as well as sitting on her front porch with her youngest grandchild watching trains come through town on the Norfolk Southern line, which inspired in him a lifelong love of train engines and transportation; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rogers was a faithful member of the Cohutta First Baptist Church, where she was known for providing candy to the children in Sunday school and where she never met a stranger without humbly sharing her faith and love for every soul; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rogers was a kind, gentle, and loving person who persevered through life's difficult challenges while never wavering in her faith, her love for all, and her duty to her family and her community; and

WHEREAS, July 2, 2022, will mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of Mrs. Rogers, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in her memory.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA, that the intersection at SR-71 and Wolfe Street/Old Dalton Cleveland Highway in Whitfield County, is dedicated as the Ethel Oliver "Granny" Rogers Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Ethel Oliver "Granny" Rogers Memorial Intersection 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 Mrs. Ethel Oliver Rogers and to the Department of Transportation.