

**ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA 2024**

Act 702

House Resolution 854, Part XX & Part XXI

Effective May 6, 2024

**TIM HOWARD BRIDGE — DESIGNATED.**

**A RESOLUTION**

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Tim Howard has long been recognized by the citizens of Murray County, Georgia, for the vital role he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to preserving and sharing the rich history of the county; and

WHEREAS, affectionately known as "Mr. Murray County History" by many, Mr. Howard's passion for local history began in fourth grade during a school field trip to the Chief Vann House; and

WHEREAS, he joined the Murray County Historical Society as a high school junior in 1976 and worked throughout his high school years to survey all of Murray County's cemeteries; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Berry College, Mr. Howard returned to Murray County to teach in the Murray County School System, where he inspired and molded the minds of future leaders for 34 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Howard has dedicated his life to the history of Murray County, leading groups on historical tours throughout the county, providing support to historical societies as well as the county, leading efforts for the historical recognition of Spring Place, and researching and writing about the history of the county for future generations; and

WHEREAS, his passion and dedication has been recognized with numerous awards, including Murray County Jaycee's Outstanding Young Man of Murray County for 1983, Murray County Teacher of the Year in 1986 and 1990, a Young Alumni Award for Distinguished Service and President's Award from Berry College, and Man of the Year and Humanitarian of the Year from the Chatsworth Murray County Chamber of Commerce; and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA, that the bridge on SR-52, over the Town Branch River in Murray County, is dedicated as the Tim Howard Bridge.

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 Tim Howard.