

ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA 2025

Act 362

House Resolution 7, Part IX & 9th Paragraph of Part XIV

Effective May 14, 2025

PERRY PARKWAY — DESIGNATED.

A RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Tyler Perry was born on September 13, 1969, in New Orleans, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, his first musical, *I Know I've Been Changed*, premiered at the famous Fox Theatre in Atlanta; in 2005, his first feature film, *Diary Of A Mad Black Woman*, debuted at number one; and in 2006, he released his first book, *Don't Make A Black Woman Take Off Her Earrings: Madea's Uninhibited Commentaries On Life And Love*, which remained on the *New York Times* bestseller list for eight weeks; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Mr. Perry's comedic talents delighted audiences worldwide with the TBS series *House of Payne* and later with the series *Meet the Browns*, which were the highest and second highest rated first-run syndicated cable shows of all time, respectively, and he currently has four television series on Oprah Winfrey's network, OWN; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, he revitalized Delta Airlines' former headquarters and opened a 200,000 square foot studio in Atlanta that employs hundreds of Georgians, and in 2015, Mr. Perry bought 330 acres of the former military base, Fort McPherson, on which he will restore and construct state-of-the-art facilities that will open the door for local business opportunities and job creation in the motion picture and television industry; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Perry strongly supports our state and national communities through charities such as Feeding America, Covenant House, Hosea Feed the Hungry, Project Adventure, Perry Place, and his own foundation, the Tyler Perry Foundation, which transforms tragedy into triumph by empowering economically disadvantaged youths, seniors, and families to overcome adversity by achieving a better quality of life; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA, that the portion of State Route 92, from Interstate 20 to Riverside Parkway in Douglas County, is dedicated as the Perry Parkway.

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 Mr. Tyler Perry.