

ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA 2026

Act 500

Senate Resolution 624, Part XXXIX & 39th Paragraph of Part XXXXVIII

Effective May 11, 2026

WORLD WAR I VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE — DESIGNATED.

A RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedom that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, United States military veterans of World War I demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, the state of Georgia played a significant role during America's participation in World War I, contributing more than 100,000 men and women to the war effort and holding more training camps than any other state; and

WHEREAS, on Armistice Day, November 11, 1921, more than 1,000 Thomas County citizens and veterans gathered around the newly constructed bridge over Ochlockonee River on State Route 3 ALT for a dedication program to name the bridge "Memorial Bridge" but the bridge dedication was not preserved when the bridge was rebuilt in 1941; and

WHEREAS, it is important that World War I veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, World War I veterans embodied the spirit of service, finding meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA, that the bridge on State Route 3 ALT, over the Ochlockonee River in Thomas County, is dedicated as the World War I Veterans Memorial 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 Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this Resolution available for distribution to the Department of Transportation.