- 1 SJR70
- 2 141175-3

By Senators Dial, Waggoner, Whatley, Allen, Beasley, Beason,
Bedford, Blackwell, Brewbaker, Brooks, Bussman, Coleman, Dunn,
Fielding, Figures, Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahey,
Marsh, McGill, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford,
Scofield, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Ward and
Williams
RFD:

10 First Read: 19-APR-12

SJR70 1 2 3 4 ENROLLED, SJR70, 5 NAMING PORTIONS OF STATE HIGHWAY 9 IN CLAY COUNTY THE **MG C. MARK BOWEN HIGHWAY. 6 7 WHEREAS, in honor of his valiant service to the 8 citizens of Clay County, the State of Alabama, and our 9 10 country, it is fitting to name a portion of State Highway 9 in 11 honor of Major General C. Mark Bowen who has served with 12 distinction in the Alabama National Guard for more than 44 13 years, including service as Adjutant General of Alabama; and 14 WHEREAS, General Bowen has used his training and 15 experience to serve his country both as an enlisted soldier 16 and officer and, throughout his career, he has placed an 17 unwavering emphasis on providing leadership and service for 18 Alabama's Guard members, their families, and their employers; 19 and WHEREAS, General Bowen was appointed by Governor 20

SJR70

Riley to command the mobilization of more than 10,000 Alabama National Guard members in the Global War on Terrorism, and he commanded an additional 5,000 Guard members during the 2004 and 2005 hurricane seasons; and

Page 1

WHEREAS, this Alabama son has indeed served his 1 2 country as a warrior in combat and as a leader in peace as a 3 citizen-soldier; and his many military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Army 4 5 Commendation Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, 6 Army Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training 7 8 Ribbon with numeral 4, and the Expert Infantry Badge; and

9 WHEREAS, Major General Bowen is married to the 10 former Sandra Evans, and they have a son, Bill Bowen, and a 11 daughter, Lee Bowen Smith. In civilian life, he is retired 12 after owning and operating two pharmacies, but is still active 13 operating his farm located near Lineville and in many civic 14 and church activities; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in honor of Major General C. Mark Bowen, we declare State Highway 9 in Clay County from the intersection of Highway 9 and State Highway 48 in Lineville, north to the intersection of Barfield Fire Department Road in Barfield, Clay County, Alabama, the **MG C. MARK BOWEN Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we request the appropriate officials to erect and maintain signs so designating the road as **MG C. Mark Bowen Highway, the two stars designating his rank.

SJR70

2 3 President and Presiding Officer of 4 the Senate 5 Speaker of the House of Representa-6 tives 7 SJR70 8 Senate 19-APR-12 I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint 9 Resolution originated in and was adopted by the Senate. 10 11 12 Patrick Harris 13 Secretary 14 15 16 17 House of Representatives Adopted: 01-MAY-12 18 19 20 21 By: Senator Dial

1