

House Resolution 1067

By: Representatives Chastain of the 7th, Burns of the 159th, Ridley of the 6th, Hatchett of the 155th, Jasperse of the 11th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. Mike Gibbs and dedicating a road in his memory; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Charles Michael "Mike" Gibbs has long been recognized by the citizens
4 of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal
5 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Gilmer County, Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Gibbs was born on June 12, 1951, the beloved son and stepson of Margaret
7 Catherine Green Humphreys and Hunter Thornton Humphreys and son of Vernon Gibbs, Sr.;;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Gibbs worked closely with the United States Army and provided superb
10 service in supply chain sales for U.S. Army facilities across the Southeast before becoming
11 the third generational owner of his family's restaurant, Mike's Ellijay Restaurant, which is
12 known for its delicious country cooking, political patrons, and family-like atmosphere; and

13 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
14 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced

15 dramatically by his superlative and lengthy service as Chairman of the Ellijay-Gilmer County
16 Water and Sewerage Authority; and

17 WHEREAS, as a cherished member of his community, Mr. Gibbs will be long be
18 remembered for his sense of humor and quick wit and known by many for his big heart,
19 generosity of spirit, and willingness to help others; and

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21 WHEREAS, he earned high accolades as a multi-sport athlete and a standout football player
22 at Chamblee High School and Murray County High School and was a die-hard fan of the
23 Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets and the Atlanta Braves; and

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

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
27 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that State Route 282 from Old Highway 5 to Old Tails Creek
28 Road in Gilmer County is dedicated as the Mike Gibbs Memorial Highway.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
30 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Mike Gibbs Memorial
31 Highway.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
34 family of Mr. Mike Gibbs and to the Department of Transportation.