

House Resolution 1336

By: Representatives Jackson of the 165th, Stephens of the 164th, Westbrook of the 163rd, Gilliard of the 162nd, Petrea of the 166th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Representative Edward "Mickey" Stephens and dedicating an
2 interchange in his memory; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Representative Edward "Mickey" Stephens has long been recognized by the
4 citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership in this state and his deep
5 personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Stephens was born on April 4, 1944, and graduated from
7 A.E. Beach High School and Savannah State University in Savannah, Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, he spent over three decades as an educator, teaching at both Richard Arnold
9 High and Savannah High, where he was the head coach for girl's basketball and girl's track
10 teams and an assistant football coach for 17 years; and

11 WHEREAS, Representative Stephens began his career in public service and politics in 2002
12 when he was elected to his first term in the Georgia House of Representatives; and

13 WHEREAS, he was elected to the Savannah-Chatham School Board in 2006 and served until
14 winning back his House seat in 2009, ably and adeptly representing the citizens of the
15 165th House District until his passing in 2021; and

16 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
17 Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an interchange in his memory.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
19 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the interchange of U.S. Route 80 and Harry Truman
20 Parkway in Chatham County is dedicated as the Representative Edward "Mickey" Stephens
21 Memorial Interchange.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
23 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Representative Edward
24 "Mickey" Stephens Memorial Interchange.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
27 family of Representative Edward "Mickey" Stephens and to the Department of
28 Transportation.