

## House Resolution 148

By: Representative Harden of the 148<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. Emmett R. "Whitey" Lollis and dedicating a bridge in his memory;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Emmett R. "Whitey" Lollis has long been recognized for the vital role he  
4 played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of  
5 Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, in 1944 and before the completion of ninth grade, Mr. Lollis dropped out of  
7 school to join the United States Marine Corps; and

8 WHEREAS, after his discharge from military service in 1947, Mr. Lollis joined the state  
9 highway department as a rodman on a staking/survey party, where he worked for two years  
10 before being called back into the service at the start of the Korean Conflict; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Lollis returned to the state highway department 14 months later upon his  
12 discharge as a Staff Sergeant and attended night school in order to earn his high school  
13 diploma; and

14 WHEREAS, he later earned his civil engineering degree, and upon graduation from the  
15 Southern Technical Institute, he returned once again to the state highway department to serve  
16 as an engineer on road and bridge projects; and

17 WHEREAS, during his career with the department, Mr. Lollis was responsible for bridge  
18 inspection throughout the Thomaston district, ensuring safety for the traveling public; and

19 WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the department, Mr. Lollis established Lollis-Priest  
20 and Associates which performed land surveying, site design planning, and engineering  
21 consultation services; and

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

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL  
25 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on SR 11/US 129 over Bluff Creek in Pulaski  
26 County is dedicated as the Emmett R. "Whitey" Lollis Memorial Bridge.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
28 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Emmett R. "Whitey" Lollis  
29 Memorial Bridge.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
32 family of Mr. Emmett R. "Whitey" Lollis and to the Department of Transportation.