

House Resolution 1572

By: Representative Gilliard of the 162nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. Phillip "Philly" J. Meyers and dedicating a bridge in his memory;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Phillip "Philly" J. Meyers served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and
4 liberty with the United States Marine Corps, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow
5 Americans during the Vietnam War; and

6 WHEREAS, a strong advocate for labor, Mr. Meyers was a member of the New York
7 Newspaper Printing Pressman's Union Local #2 for several decades before moving to
8 Savannah to continue his work, advocating on behalf of labor, income equality, civil rights,
9 and the environment; and

10 WHEREAS, in 2010, Mr. Meyers helped organize the RUFFians, Retirees Unite for the
11 Future, an advocacy group of senior retirees, and served as the organization's president; and

12 WHEREAS, his leadership and guidance to the RUFFians was invaluable, as he assisted the
13 group in staging information tables at events and organizing rallies, marches, and other direct
14 action initiatives in support of improving important social issues such as increased minimum
15 wage, expansion of Medicare and social security, tax reform, clean energy, and equal voting
16 rights; and

17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and
18 sacrifices of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by
19 dedicating a bridge in his honor.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on State Route 204 over Ogeechee Road in
22 Chatham County is dedicated as the Philly J. Meyers Bridge.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
24 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Philly J. Meyers Bridge.

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 Mr. Phillip "Philly" J. Meyers and to the Department of Transportation.