

House Resolution 236

By: Representative Powell of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mr. Tyrus Raymond "Ty" Cobb and dedicating a road in his memory;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Tyrus Raymond "Ty" Cobb is considered by many to be the greatest
4 baseball player in American history; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Cobb used his speed and precision hitting to earn the highest batting
6 average in the history of the game with .367; and

7 WHEREAS, the eldest of three children, he grew up in Royston, Georgia, under the watchful
8 eyes of his father, who was a schoolteacher, principal, newspaper publisher, state senator,
9 and county school commissioner; and

10 WHEREAS, in his 24 seasons of playing baseball, he broke .300 batting average an
11 incredible 23 times; and

12 WHEREAS, he played a majority of his career with the Detroit Tigers, was a leader in runs
13 scored with 2,245, and took the Tigers to the World Series in 1907; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Cobb was the Baseball Hall of Fame's first inductee in 1936; and

15 WHEREAS, a generous philanthropist, Mr. Cobb donated funding to build a 24 bed hospital
16 in Royston and \$100,00.00 for college scholarships for needy students in Georgia through
17 the Ty Cobb Educational Foundation; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
19 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bypass in the City of Royston (SR 17/BU/Hart to SR
22 17/BU/Franklin) in Franklin and Hart Counties is dedicated as the Tyrus Raymond "Ty"
23 Cobb Parkway.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
25 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Tyrus Raymond "Ty" Cobb
26 Parkway.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
29 family of Mr. Tyrus Raymond "Ty" Cobb and to the Department of Transportation.