

House Resolution 913

By: Representatives Stephens of the 164th and Petrea of the 166th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Mr. Harold Fowler and Mr. Jimmy Burnsed and dedicating a bridge in their
2 honor; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Harold Fowler and Mr. Jimmy Burnsed have long been recognized by the
4 citizens of this state for the vital role that they have played in leadership and their deep
5 personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Bryan County and the State of
6 Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Harold Fowler dedicated 18 years to the people of Richmond Hill, Georgia,
8 serving on the city council from 1995 to 2005 and as the city's mayor for two terms
9 beginning with his election in 2009; and

10 WHEREAS, during Mr. Fowler's tenure as a leader of Richmond Hill, the city annexed
11 several parcels of valuable commercial property to increase the city's tax digest, purchased
12 land for much needed commercial development, and laid the foundation for a new city
13 complex off of Highway 144 with the purchase of over 50 acres; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Burnsed served as a leader of Bryan County both as a public servant and
15 leader of the business community, serving 12 years as Chairman of the Bryan County Board
16 of Commissioners, six years on the city council for Garden City, and four years as mayor of
17 Garden City; and

18 WHEREAS, during his tenure of public service to Bryan County, Mr. Burnsed increased
19 public access to government meetings and services, partnered with local developers to open
20 a public park, and helped achieve a homestead exemption tax for county senior citizens; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the cooperation, foresight, and dedication
22 to the people of Bryan County demonstrated by Mr. Fowler and Mr. Burnsed be recognized
23 appropriately by dedicating a bridge in their honor.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
25 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge at Belfast Siding Road in Bryan County is
26 dedicated as the Fowler-Burnsed Bridge.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
28 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Fowler-Burnsed Bridge.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Mr.
31 Harold Fowler, Mr. Jimmy Burnsed, and the Department of Transportation.