

## House Resolution 938

By: Representatives Hugley of the 141<sup>st</sup>, Reese of the 140<sup>th</sup>, Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>, and Smith of the 138<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Representative Maretta Mitchell Taylor and dedicating an interchange in her  
2 memory; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Representative Maretta Mitchell Taylor has long been recognized by the  
4 citizens of this state for the vital role that she played in leadership and her deep personal  
5 commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Muscogee County; and

6 WHEREAS, a graduate of Williams H. Spencer High School, Representative Taylor earned  
7 a bachelor's degree from Albany State College and a master's degree from Indiana  
8 University; and

9 WHEREAS, she diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,  
10 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state and uplifting the minds  
11 of the next generation as evidenced dramatically by her 30 years of public service as an  
12 educator and media specialist; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative Taylor was the first African American woman elected to House  
14 District 94 for the Georgia House of Representatives and served on the Muscogee County  
15 Election and Voter Registration Board; and

16 WHEREAS, her legacy of decisive and effective leadership and service to her community  
17 spanned four decades; and

18 WHEREAS, Representative Taylor was recognized with numerous honors and awards,  
19 including the 2000 Legislature Appreciation Award from the Georgia Association for  
20 Primary Health Care, the Legacy of Leadership Award and Outstanding Legislator of the  
21 Year for 2000 from the Professional Association of Georgia Educators, and the Rosa Parks  
22 Award from Columbus PUSH; and

23 WHEREAS, she was an active member of numerous organizations, including the Albany  
24 State National Alumni Association, Assault on Illiteracy, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,  
25 Columbus Georgia Chapter Links, Inc., Compatibles Social Club, Georgia Heart Fund Drive,  
26 Springer Children's Theater, and the United Negro College Fund Committee; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished  
28 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an interchange in her memory.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL  
30 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the interchange at Interstate 85 and Buena Vista Road  
31 Interchange in Muscogee County is dedicated as the State Representative Maretta Mitchell  
32 Taylor Interchange.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
34 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the State Representative Maretta  
35 Mitchell Taylor Interchange.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
37 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
38 family of Representative Maretta Mitchell Taylor and to the Department of Transportation.