

House Resolution 97

By: Representative Buckner of the 137th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Sergeant Eddie Thomas Terry and dedicating a bridge in his memory;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
4 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
5 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

6 WHEREAS, Sergeant Eddie Thomas Terry was born on July 2, 1947, in Manchester,
7 Georgia, the beloved son of Emmitt "Embo" and Mary B. Terry; and

8 WHEREAS, a 1946 graduate of Meriwether County Training School, Sergeant Terry served
9 as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army, serving in the
10 Vietnam War; and

11 WHEREAS, while a part of Company D 2nd Battalion 12 Calvary in Vietnam, Sergeant
12 Terry perished when he dove into the waters of the San Rao Trach River in a heroic attempt
13 to rescue one of his squad; and

14 WHEREAS, Sergeant Terry demonstrated selfless service to this nation and his unyielding
15 commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States in giving the ultimate
16 sacrifice will be remembered always; and

17 WHEREAS, he embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater
18 than himself and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
19 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on State Route 190 over Lane Street in
22 Meriwether County is dedicated as the Sergeant Eddie Thomas Terry Memorial Bridge.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
24 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Sergeant Eddie Thomas Terry
25 Memorial Bridge.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
28 family of Sergeant Eddie Thomas Terry and to the Department of Transportation.