

Senate Resolution 112

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Harper of the 7th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis and dedicating an
2 intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Sergeant
4 Henry "Gene" Mullis; and

5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Mullis was born on July 12, 1920, the beloved son of Henry and
6 Georgia Walker Mullis; and

7 WHEREAS, a graduate of Gordon Lee Memorial High School in Walker County, Sergeant
8 Mullis served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty in the United States Armed
9 Forces, valiantly and courageously protecting democratic ideals during World War II and the
10 Korean War; and

11 WHEREAS, during his military career, Sergeant Mullis was recognized with a Purple Heart
12 and two Bronze Stars with Oak Leaf Clusters for valor; and

13 WHEREAS, Sergeant Mullis survived the Normandy Invasion and the Battle of the Bulge
14 and served as the first walking postman for the City of Chickamauga; and

15 WHEREAS, a proud and loyal Gordon Lee Memorial trojan, Sergeant Mullis served as the
16 school's correspondent for athletics programs to the *Chattanooga Times* and the *Atlanta*
17 *Journal*, served as secretary and historian for the school's alumni association, and operated
18 the scoreboard at home basketball games for over 53 years; and

19 WHEREAS, his leadership and organizational talents were instrumental to numerous
20 organizations, including the American Legion Post 271, Older American Center, and Osburn
21 School Cemetery; and

22 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Sergeant was an active member and deacon
23 at the First Baptist Church in Chickamauga and was a devoted husband to Doris Avery
24 Greene Mullis and father to Lorie Gene Mullis, Senator Jeff Mullis, and Jerry Mullis; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
26 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
28 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection at U.S. 27 and Osburn Road in Walker
29 County is dedicated as the Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis Memorial Intersection.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
31 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis
32 Memorial Intersection.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
35 Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis.