

Senate Resolution 193

By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Lucas of the 26th and Walker III of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. J.A. "Big Jim" Walters and dedicating an intersection
2 in his memory; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
4 with the passing of Mr. J.A. "Big Jim" Walters on February 22, 2021; and

5 WHEREAS, a graduate of East Mecklinburg High School, Mr. Walters attended North
6 Carolina State University and was a man with an unparalleled sense of duty to his
7 community and to his country; and

8 WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction as president of the James A. Walters
9 Management Company, Inc.; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Walters diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his
11 time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced by
12 his support of the YMCA; and

13 WHEREAS, his contributions and leadership were recognized by the YMCA with the
14 dedication of the J.A. Walter Family YMCA Center; and

15 WHEREAS, a lifetime supporter of Lanier Technical College, Mr. Walters presented a
16 \$1 million gift to assist the school in opening a new campus location; and

17 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
18 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
19 made this world a better place in which to live; and

20 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Walters will long be remembered for
21 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, brother, grandfather, and
22 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him; and

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

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
26 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection of State Route 365 and Lanier Tech Drive
27 in Hall County is dedicated as the J.A. "Big Jim" Walters Intersection.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
29 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the J.A. "Big Jim" Walters
30 Intersection.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of Mr.
33 J.A. "Big Jim" Walters.