

House Resolution 212

By: Representative Williams of the 145th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Mrs. Denette Odum Jackson and dedicating a bridge in her memory; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Denette Odum Jackson has long been recognized by the citizens of this
4 state for the vital role that she played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the
5 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Jackson made history as the first African American councilwoman for the
7 City of Milledgeville with her election in 1992, a position she held for 12 years; and

8 WHEREAS, she diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time,
9 talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced
10 dramatically by her 42 years of superlative service at Central State Hospital; and

11 WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents were invaluable to
12 numerous organizations such as the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials, Oconee
13 Community Service Board, AARP, Georgia War Veterans Home Advisory Council, Georgia
14 American Legion Auxiliary, and the Baldwin County Board of Health; and

15 WHEREAS, her remarkable patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her
16 sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state earned her the respect and admiration of
17 her colleagues and associates; and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
19 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in her honor.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on State Route 22 adjacent to 603 West
22 Montgomery Street in Baldwin County is dedicated as the Denette Odum Jackson Memorial
23 Bridge.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
25 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Denette Odum Jackson
26 Memorial Bridge.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
29 family of Mrs. Denette Odum Jackson and to the Department of Transportation.