23 LC 39 3860

House Resolution 475

By: Representatives Lewis-Ward of the 115th, Douglas of the 78th, Holly of the 116th, and Scott of the 76th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life of Pastor Spencer T. O'Neal and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and
- 2 for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Pastor Spencer T. O'Neal demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel,
- 4 witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological,
- 5 intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and
- 6 WHEREAS, affectionately known as Pastor Spence, he was the lead pastor of Global Impact
- 7 Christian Ministries in Stockbridge, Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Pastor Spence was a man of deep and abiding faith who was licensed and
- 9 ordained at Poplar Springs Baptist Church in Ellenwood, Georgia, by Reverend Ulysses
- 10 Ponder; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a transformative leader with a unique and unorthodox approach to ministry,
- 12 Pastor Spence held a Bachelor of Business Administration in marketing from Georgia
- 13 Southern University, a Master of Arts in Christian Counseling from Luther Rice Seminary,
- and an Executive Leadership Certification from Cornell University; and

23 LC 39 3860

15 WHEREAS, co-author of *No Covenant No Cookie*, Pastor Spence used his desire to teach

- 16 and preach the Gospel to spread messages of empowerment, encouragement, and
- 17 enlightenment; and
- 18 WHEREAS, 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 Interstate 675 over Interstate 75 in Henry
- 22 County is dedicated as the Pastor Spencer T. O'Neal 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 Pastor Spencer T. O'Neal
- 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 Pastor Spencer T. O'Neal and to the Department of Transportation.