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Senate Resolution 947

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jones of the 10th, Jackson of the 2nd, Seay of the 34th, Anderson of the 43rd and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the lives of Jackson and Queen Mary Dixon and dedicating a road in their memory;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Jackson and Queen Mary Dixon have long been recognized by the citizens of
- 4 this state for the vital role they played in leadership and their deep personal commitment to
- 5 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Dixon was born on December 4, 1831, while Mrs. Dixon was born on
- 7 February 12, 1835; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Dixon was a farmer, landowner, community leader, and father, while Mrs.
- 9 Dixon was the family caretaker and homemaker; and
- 10 WHEREAS, known for their generosity and kindness, Mr. and Mrs. Dixon made the world
- 11 a better place in which to live, with many incredible contributions to their family,
- 12 community, and state; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the Dixons donated land to be used for a schoolhouse for black children in the
- 14 community, which housed grades one through six and was called the Dixon Grove School
- and later became known as the Mt. Zion Colored School; and
- 16 WHEREAS, thanks to the selfless actions of the Dixons, many children in their community
- were able to get a quality education in a safe and nurturing environment; and
- 18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body honor the lives
- 19 and careers of these distinguished Georgians by dedicating a road in their memory.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
- 21 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 138 from Mount Zion Road to

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22 the Clayton/Henry County line is dedicated as the Jackson and Queen Mary Dixon Memorial

- Highway.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
- 25 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Jackson and Queen Mary
- 26 Dixon Memorial Highway.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 28 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
- 29 Jackson and Queen Mary Dixon and to the Department of Transportation.