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House Resolution 1239

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life of Mr. Dan Magill and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of the University of
- 4 Georgia's legends with the passing of Mr. Dan Magill in August of 2014; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Magill was born on January 25, 1921, and was a native of Athens, Georgia,
- 6 where he began his lifelong affiliation with the University of Georgia athletic program as a
- 7 batboy for the baseball team and manager for the tennis team; and
- 8 WHEREAS, as an attendee of the University of Georgia, Mr. Magill was an invaluable
- 9 member of the university's swim and tennis teams, volunteered as an assistant football coach,
- and was a member of Chi Psi fraternity before graduating with a degree in journalism in
- 11 1942; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Magill served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the
- 13 United States Marine Corps during World War II and, upon his return home, worked briefly
- 14 as the prep sports editor with the Atlanta Journal; and
- 15 WHEREAS, in 1949, this lifelong Bulldog returned home to his alma mater to serve as the
- 16 university's sports information director, and later he established *The Georgia Bulldog*
- 17 newspaper and founded the Bulldog Club; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mr. Magill assumed the role as the head coach of the university's tennis
- 19 program in 1954, a position he proudly held for 34 years; and
- 20 WHEREAS, as head of the tennis program, Mr. Magill oversaw the construction of the
- 21 university's tennis complex and put Athens on the map as a tennis destination, with the city

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serving as host to the NCAA tennis tournament 21 times and as home to the hall of fame for

- 23 the Intercollegiate Tennis Association; and
- 24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished
- 25 Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.
- 26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
- 27 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection of State Route 15/Milledge Avenue and
- 28 Lumpkin Street in Clarke County is dedicated as the Dan Magill Memorial Intersection.
- 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
- 30 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Dan Magill Memorial
- 31 Intersection.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 33 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 34 family of Mr. Dan Magill and to the Department of Transportation.