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3 By Representatives Mask and Wren
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8 DESIGNATING THE BRIDGE OVER THE COOSA RIVER ON
9 ALABAMA HIGHWAY 14 IN WETUMPKA THE COACH JOE "BILLY" FAIN
10 BRIDGE.
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12 WHEREAS, with great pride and adulation, the Alabama
13 Legislature hereby recognizes the late Coach Joe "Billy" Fain
14 for his lifetime of commitment to conservation and wishes to
15 commemorate his accomplishments and service by naming a bridge
16 in his honor; and

17 WHEREAS, a native and lifelong resident of Wetumpka,
18 Coach Fain enjoyed a long career as a coach and educator in
19 Elmore and Montgomery Counties; he was a decorated veteran of
20 World War II, having received three battle stars, including
21 the Battle of the Bulge; and

22 WHEREAS, a committed Christian and family man, Coach
23 Fain was an avid outdoorsman with a particular passion for
24 conservation; he was instrumental in efforts to increase water
25 flow into the Coosa River below Jordan Dam; he received a
26 number of honors and recognition for his staunch
27 conservationism, including Auburn University's W. Kelly Mosley

1 Environmental Award and the 1985 Conservationist of the Year
2 Award from the Alabama Wildlife Federation; and

3 WHEREAS, Coach Fain was a pioneer in Alabama
4 conservation; it is right and proper that the Coosa River, for
5 which he fought so hard, should bear a memorial to him; now
6 therefore,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
8 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the bridge over the Coosa
9 River on Alabama Highway 14 in Wetumpka be named the Coach Joe
10 "Billy" Fain Bridge and that the proper officials are
11 requested to place and maintain markers designating the Coach
12 Joe "Billy" Fain Bridge as provided in this resolution.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
14 resolution be provided for presentation as a memento of this
15 honorary designation by the Alabama Legislature.