MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

To: Highways and Transportation

By: Senator(s) King, Farris, Harvey, Dearing, Frazier, Little, Williamson, Dawkins, Nunnelee, Jordan, Gordon, Smith, Furniss, Jackson, Scoper, Carmichael, Carlton, White (29th), Posey, Gollott, White (5th), Thames, Chaney, Harden

SENATE BILL NO. 2372

AN ACT TO DESIGNATE A SEGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 42 IN 1 FORREST COUNTY AS THE "EVELYN GANDY PARKWAY"; TO PROVIDE THAT EACH SEGMENT OF THE PROPOSED REGIONAL THOROUGHFARE ENCIRCLING THE CITY 2 3 4 OF HATTIESBURG SHALL, AS COMPLETED, BE DESIGNATED AS THE "EVELYN GANDY PARKWAY"; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 5 6 WHEREAS, long-range plans developed by the 7 Hattiesburg-Petal-Forrest-Lamar Planning Organization propose a transportation system encircling the City of Hattiesburg that is 8 9 currently referred to as the Regional Thoroughfare; and WHEREAS, a Map has been developed by the 10 Hattiesburg-Petal-Forrest-Lamar Planning Organization specifying 11 the locations of the roads which will be a part of this Regional 12 Thoroughfare, which map is on file with the Office of Public 13 14 Services of the City of Hattiesburg; and WHEREAS, the Hattiesburg-Petal-Forrest-Lamar Planning 15 Organization, the governing authorities of the cities of 16 Hattiesburg and Petal, and the Boards of Supervisors of Forrest 17 18 and Lamar Counties have adopted resolution recommending that the Regional Thoroughfare be named the "Evelyn Gandy Parkway"; and 19 WHEREAS, one of the segments of the proposed Regional 20 Thoroughfare is the relocated segment of Mississippi Highway 42 in 21 22 Forrest County beginning at its intersection with Interstate 59 23 and extending easterly to its intersection with Macedonia-Sunrise Road; NOW THEREFORE, 24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 25 That relocated segment of Mississippi **SECTION 1.** (1) 26 27 Highway 42 in Forrest County beginning at its intersection with 28 Interstate 59 and extending easterly to its intersection with

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29 Macedonia-Sunrise Road is designated and shall be known as the 30 "Evelyn Gandy Parkway."

(2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect
 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segment
 of highway described in subsection (1) of this section.

34 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) Each segment of the Regional Thoroughfare 35 proposed by the Hattiesburg-Petal-Forrest-Lamar Planning 36 Organization, as described by a map on file with the Office of 37 Public Services of the City of Hattiesburg, shall, as completed, 38 be designated and known as the "Evelyn Gandy Parkway."

39 (2) The Mississippi Department of Transportation shall erect
40 and maintain appropriate signs along and approaching the segments
41 of highway described in subsection (1) of this section that are
42 under its jurisdiction.

43 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 44 and after its passage.