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8 COMMENDING BISHOP RANCE ALLEN FOR HIS DEDICATED
9 PREACHING AND MUSIC MINISTRY.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Bishop
12 Rance Allen is recognized for his longtime, dedicated
13 preaching and music ministry, most notably his participation
14 in the 30th Pastoral Anniversary of Pastor T.C. Johnson at St.
15 Luke Christian Church; and

16 WHEREAS, Bishop Allen was ordained an Elder in the
17 Church of God in Christ (COGIC) in 1978, having begun his
18 spiritual ministry at the age of five with appearances in
19 Michigan, Ohio, and Pennsylvania; he was licensed to preach at
20 age 12 and has since spread the Gospel throughout the United
21 States and abroad; and

22 WHEREAS, Bishop Allen is a gifted musician and
23 anointed gospel singer, well known for The Rance Allen Group
24 that he formed with his brothers more than 40 years ago,
25 winning four Stellar Awards, three Grammy nominations, a Dove
26 Award nomination, and a Soul Train Music Award nomination
27 along with many others; in recognition of innumerable musical

1 achievements, The Rance Allen Group was inducted into the
2 International Gospel Music Hall of Fame and Museum in November
3 1998; and

4 WHEREAS, Bishop Allen's additional well-deserved
5 recognitions include being celebrated as one of the Great Men
6 of Gospel by The Black Academy of Arts and Letters; now
7 therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
9 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Bishop Rance Allen is hereby
10 most highly honored and commended, and it is directed that a
11 copy of this resolution of tribute be provided to him on
12 behalf of the people of the State of Alabama, who were
13 privileged to welcome him as a participant in the 30th
14 Pastoral Anniversary of Pastor T.C. Johnson at St. Luke
15 Christian Church in Huntsville.