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8 RECOGNIZING DR. O. WENDELL DAVIS ON THE OCCASION OF  
9 HIS 25TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY AT UNION CHAPEL MISSIONARY  
10 BAPTIST CHURCH.

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12 WHEREAS, it is a tremendous privilege to recognize  
13 Dr. O. Wendell Davis on the momentous occasion of his 25th  
14 Pastoral Anniversary at Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
15 in Huntsville, Alabama; and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Davis will be honored for his dedicated  
17 pastoral service during a weekend of worship and praise at  
18 Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in May 2014; and

19 WHEREAS, he answered the call to pastor Union Chapel  
20 Missionary Baptist Church in September 1989 and has the utmost  
21 distinction of being only the third pastor in the church's  
22 80-year history; and

23 WHEREAS, throughout his pastorate of Union Chapel  
24 Missionary Baptist Church, he has focused on spiritual  
25 edification; and

26 WHEREAS, his venerable guidance has blessed a number  
27 of the church's powerful initiatives including the Union

1 Chapel Institute of Biblical Studies in 1998, a midday weekly  
2 Bible study, the construction of a new worship facility to  
3 accommodate the church's growing membership, the building of a  
4 new Child Development Center, Family Life Center for  
5 continuous family enrichment, Union Chapel Christian Academy,  
6 and the church pavilion; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Davis has authored a number of books  
8 and served as a Christian radio talk show host; he conducts  
9 workshops ranging from Marriage Enrichment to Developing  
10 Christian Leaders and is affiliated with the National Baptist  
11 Convention, U.S.A., Inc.; National Baptist Congress of  
12 Christian Education; Alabama State Congress of Christian  
13 Education; and national, state, and local economic development  
14 initiatives; and

15 WHEREAS, he was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, and  
16 grew up in Gulfport, Mississippi; Dr. Davis earned his  
17 Bachelor of Science Degree from Athens State University,  
18 Master of Science Degree in Christian Ministry, Master of  
19 Divinity in Pastoral Ministry, and Doctor of Ministry in  
20 Church History from Southern Christian University, which is  
21 now Amridge University; and

22 WHEREAS, he and his wife, Dora, are the proud  
23 parents of three sons; and

24 WHEREAS, indeed, Dr. Davis continues to provide the  
25 members of his congregation with opportunities to grow in  
26 Christian service, and his qualities of leadership and

1       pastoral experience have indeed greatly strengthened his  
2       ministry; now therefore,

3                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
4       THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Dr. O. Wendell Davis is  
5       highly honored and commended on the occasion of his Pastoral  
6       Anniversary, and this resolution is offered to him in deepest  
7       admiration and appreciation, along with sincere best wishes  
8       for all future endeavors.